



# PINOT NOIR BURGUNDY CASK

KILLOWEN BONDED EXPERIMENTAL SERIES 10 YR OLD WHISKEY

MOURNE MOUNTAINS, IRELAND

When Killowen initially hoped to release this the cask was over powered by the rich European Oak tannin and its inherent red wine berry notes. They then spent the best part of a year trying to rescue it, firstly by removing half its contents and adding in new whiskey of the same vintage and proportion, luckily the initial cask shock had already been absorbed into the whiskey and allowed them to spend the rest of the time letting the spirit become part of the cask once again.

The biggest challenge with this range is maintaining the very high standard of previous releases while making a very different expression. Thankfully the same successful and unique Killowen blend has been introduced to a very different cask and created another top-class expression.

From the outset, we at Killowen Distillery have been carefully sourcing whiskeys 12, 11 and 10 years old from different distilleries all across Ireland. We also hunted the globe for the finest casks to complement certain flavour notes in the blends, this time we have gone to the famous burgundy region of France.

## TASTING NOTES

**NOSE:** Red apple and wild riverside mint, Honey suckle and Nutmeg alongside freshly cut living wood with Leon peel towards the end.

**PALATE:** A generous serve of blackberry conserve on top of creamy Lemon Cheese Cake with drying woodiness to balance it out the sweetness.

**FINISH:** Broken Caramac bar at first, followed by a long freshly cut barn yard wood. A tiny kiss of pine needle amongst blackberries of varying ripeness found while blackberry picking in hedgerows.

ALCOHOL  
**52.5% ABV**

SIZE  
**375ML**

RELEASE  
**388 BOTTLES**

BLEND  
**10 YR OLD BLEND**

CHILL FILTRATION  
**NONE**

COLOURING  
**NONE**



## KILLOWEN SMALL BATCH IRISH DISTILLERY

The most authentic of distilleries, Killowen Distillery is seated in the heart of the Mourne Mountains in County Down, where horizons are framed by sweeping hills that slope gently into the sea. It is a place where old traditions and the finest natural resources have been blended to produce world class craft spirits.

Killowen Distillery has a cult following that describe it as a 'true distillery.' Seated at the slopes of Knock Shee (the Fairy Mountain), the path to the distillery is the path smugglers took during the Napoleonic Wars to bring French brandy into the North of Ireland and until recently was a perfect hideout for local poitín makers (moon-shiners).

