



MARS KOMAGATAKE IPA CASK FINISH 2023

NAGANO, JAPAN

Mars Komagatake IPA Cask Finish 2023 follows finally makes its return with the new 2023 release. This single malt is a vatting of non and lightly peated whiskies between 3 to 4 years old matured in ex-bourbon barrels before finishing in ex-IPA casks for about 6 months. The IPA casks are used for a craft beer called Onga supplied by Mars Hombo's brewery Minami Shinshu. The terpenes of the hoppy IPA gives this whisky a fantastically expressive nose full of fresh herbs, pineapple, and bitter citrus. The palate is an explosion of ruby red grapefruit peels, orange candy, pine, and pineapple cake that ends with a beautifully light smokey finish.

ABV 52.0%	PEATED YES	AVERAGE PPMS 1.6 PPM
AGE STATEMENT NAS	AVERAGE AGE OF WHISKY 3-4 YEARS	SIZE 700 ML
STYLE SINGLE MALT	DISTILLERY LOCATION NAGANO	

BARRELS USED TO AGE
**EX-BOURBON WITH FINISHING
IN MINAMI SHINSHU IPA CASKS FOR 6 MONTHS**



MARS HOMBO

Mars Hombo can trace its roots back to the very beginning of malt whisky in Japan. Founded by the silent pioneer of Japanese whisky, Kiichiro Iwai, Mars has embraced innovation and experimentation to complement its traditional technique. Their high elevation Nagano distillery Shinshu reopened in 2011 after long being dormant, ushering a new era of whisky distilling. The comparatively low elevation Tsunuki distillery was opened in 2016 in Kagoshima, the site of Mar's founding location. With these two distilleries, Mars also has a third location on the tiny, rain swept island of Yakushima, used specifically to age its whisky. Kiichiro Iwai's visionary ideas are the bedrock of Mars Hombo and continue to keep their distilleries rooted in historic tradition while continuing the progression of Japanese whisky.

