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The WhipperSnapper is our endeavor to combine the best production methods and technical approaches used in making Bourbon, Scotch, Irish whiskey, and Dutch corenwyn. We believe the WhipperSnapper cannot be placed in one category of whiskey; the best aspects from several distinct styles are represented. Although the mash bill is most similar to bourbon, it is quite heavy on malted barley, and aromatically is more similar to a non-peated Scotch or Irish whiskey.

There are many definitions of what a WhipperSnapper is. We prefer the one that defines a WhipperSnapper as a young, impertinent person, lacking in respect for the elders, but who also has an excess of ambition and talent. So it is with our WhipperSnapper; this young whiskey is no sullen layabout. Unbound from the constraints of its cousins in traditional whiskey categories, we feel that it embodies a template for youthful and accessible yet expressive craft whiskey that gives credence to its ingredients and production methods.



Technical Specifications:

Grain bill: 63% Corn neutral spirits, 21% Rye, 16% Barley (85% Malted, 15% Unmalted Ransom Estate)

Distillation: Pot Distilled in Prulho 265 and 660 gallon alambic copper stills. All cuts made by smell and taste.

Aging: Aged in used French oak wine barrels as well as new and used American whiskey barrels. Average time in barrel eighteen to twenty-four months with a range from twelve months to five years.

Specifications: 42% alcohol by volume (84 proof). 750 mL bottle. Bar top closure with tin capsule.

Tasting Notes: WhipperSnapper opens with warm, toasty notes of hazelnut and rye loaf, underpinned by creamy malt aromas. The palate is lively but giving, with a deft balance between aromatics of grain and barrel; notes of crystal malt, demerara sugar, and sweet earth. WhipperSnapper finishes with an elegant flourish of viscosity and vibrant, expressive notes of rye and malt.

Suggested Cocktails: Manhattan, Old Fashioned, Whiskey Sour, Mint Julep

Selected Accolades: Stuart Ramsay's Hogmanay Award – 2012 Northwest Whiskey, International Review of Spirits – 2013 Silver Medal

-Tad Seestedt
Proprietor, Ransom Spirits