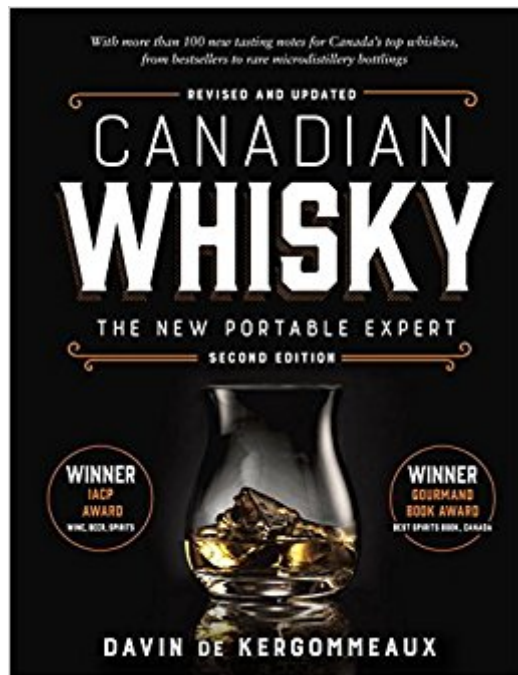


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Savour the bold notes and rich varieties of Canadian whisky with this fully revised, updated, and indispensable guide. This fully updated and revised edition of the award-winning Canadian Whisky invites you on a journey across Canada and back through time to discover the story of this unique spirit. Independent whisky expert Davin de Kergommeaux weaves a compelling narrative, beginning with the substance of Canadian whisky—grains, water, and wood—and details the process of how it's made and how to taste it. He traces the fascinating history of the country's major distilleries and key visionaries, and introduces the present-day players—big and small—who are shaping the industry through both tradition and innovation. Newly designed, and now including a map of Canada's whisky distilleries, over 100 up-to-date tasting notes, and a handy tasting checklist, Canadian Whisky reflects the latest research on flavour development and the science of taste. At once authoritative and captivating, this is a must-have resource for beginners, enthusiasts, and aficionados alike.

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"This comprehensive guide tells the fascinating story of Canadian whisky, offers reliable reviews of dozens of bottles, and is an indispensable addition to any whisky lover's library."—Jason Horn, Playboy

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