

# THE OXFORD WINE COMPANY

## Linkwood 12 Year Old, Flora & Fauna

£55.00

**Vintage:**

**Bottle Size:** 70cl

**Alcohol %:** 43%

**Country:** Scotland

**Description:** Herbal, nutty slightly peaty aroma. Honey pine oil, malt and almond on the palate. Medium length finish with a touch of anise.

**Cepages:**

**Group:** Scotch Whisky

**Sub group:** Speyside

**Colour:** Single Malt Whisky

**Closure:** Cork

**Producer:** Flora and Fauna

**Website:**

**Organic/Bio Status:**

**Food / cocktail match:**

**Food / cocktail recipe:**

**Press**

**Awards**

**Other Info:**

According to old excise document, Peter Brown began distilling whisky at Linkwood in 1824. After his death, his son, William Brown ran the distillery for another 30 years, and gave the distillery a solid reputation. Linkwood is tooled up since the very beginning with large capacity stills. Completely refurbished in 1872, it entered in the Stock Exchange quotation in 1898, when the family Brown created the Linkwood-Glenlivet company. Innes Cameron managed the distillery from 1902 up to his death in 1932. The distillery has been taken over in 1936 by the D.C.L. (Distillers Company Ltd.), and refurbished again in 1962. Like many other distilleries, it was closed during World War II. When it opened again, it was ran by Roderick Mackenzie for 18 years. Mackenzie



was very afraid that the quality of the whisky could be altered by any change in the distillery, so he decided nothing could be altered at Linkwood, even the spin webs must stay in place. Enlarged in 1971, Linkwood tripled its production capacity. Despite all those alterations, the Linkwood distillery has always kept its traditional character. The distillery was closed from 1985 up to 1990. Only 1 or 2% of the production is marketed as single malt, the remaining being used in the blends of the UDV group, White Horse, Haig, Bells and Dimple amongst others..

The Flora and Fauna single malt series were launched in 1992 by the then owner, United Distillers. The idea of the launch was to illustrate the differences in Scottish malt whisky regions. A total of 26 expressions were released. Initially the range was bottled at 43% but later some expressions were released as Cask Strength. Diageo has since taken over ownership of United Distillers and thus, the Flora and Fauna range. Diageo discontinued the series in 2010.

The range includes single malt bottlings from the following distilleries: Aberfeldy, Auchroisk, Aultmore, Balmenach, Bladnoch, Blair Athol, Royal Brackla, Coal Ila, Clynelish, Craigellachie, Daluaine, Dufftown, Glendullan, Glen Elgin, Glenlossie, Glen Spey, Inchgower, Linkwood, Mannochemore, Mortlach, Pittyvaich, Rosebank, Teaninich, Speyburn, Strathmill.

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