

Press release

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GORDON & MACPHAIL GLEN GRANT 1948 LAUNCHED IN POLAND

GORDON & MACPHAIL has launched a limited edition 66-year old whisky from the Glen Grant Distillery. Only 160 numbered decanters have been released for sale.

Distilled in 1948, cask number 1369 was bottled 66 years later in 2014 at cask strength (46.6%), at natural colour and is non-chillfiltered. This unique Single Malt is presented in stunning packaging. Each decanter is numbered and comes with a special mahogany box. The box contains a book by Charles MacLean, especially written and produced for the occasion. It provides information on the project, the whisky bottled and on the history of Gordon & MacPhail.

Renowned whisky expert and Master of the Quaich, Charles Maclean describes the Single Malt: "Such scents and flavours can only be achieved by long maturation in the right cask, yet neither the aroma nor the taste has been adversely influenced by wood. The best single descriptor that comes to mind is exquisite."

The limited edition of the 66-year old Glen Grant whisky was bottled by Gordon & MacPhail for the Polish based Wealth Solutions, a company that specialises in delivering unique spirits, collectibles and works of art to demanding connoisseurs and collectors. The whisky was officially launched on 13 May 2014 in Polonia Palace Hotel in Warsaw. The event was graced with the presence of Michael Urquhart, Managing Director at Gordon & MacPhail and Charles MacLean.

The launch of this unique whisky was preceded by a tasting of Single Malts bottled by Gordon & MacPhail, led by Charles MacLean. Participants sampled whiskies from various regions of Scotland, including five created at the now silent distilleries of Brora, Port Ellen, St Magdalene, Rosebank and Caperdonich.

The demand for Gordon & MacPhail Glen Grant 1948 has been such that all but one of the decanters was sold ahead of the official launch event. The owner of the last decanter will be selected among individuals who watched the event on-line and took part in a special contest.

Michael Urquhart, Managing Director at Gordon & MacPhail said: "The pioneering approach adopted by my father and grandfather has today provided Gordon & MacPhail with an unprecedented portfolio of greatly aged Single Malt Scotch Whiskies. As custodians of this liquid history the third and fourth generations of the Urquhart family are honoured to release this exceptional example of whisky distilled at Glen Grant Distillery in 1948."

"I am very happy to be able to offer this unique, very rare, greatly aged Single Malt Scotch Whisky to Polish connoisseurs and collectors. It was created before man went into space and landed on the Moon, before he climbed Mount Everest. This is not only whisky, it's a living witness to the second half of 20th century", says Michał Kowalski, Vice-President of Wealth Solutions.

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Watch movie about this project: [Glen Grant 1948](#)

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Notes for Editors:

Gordon & MacPhail

Gordon & MacPhail is an independent, family-owned Scotch whisky specialist which has been based in Elgin, Moray, since 1895. Four generations of the Urquhart family have continued the tradition of seeking out the best and rarest Scotch whiskies.

Since its foundation, Gordon & MacPhail's policy has been to send casks to distilleries throughout Scotland, fill them with 'new make' spirit and mature them either at the distillery of origin or in the firm's own bonded warehouses in Elgin.

Now one of the world's leading malt whisky specialists, Gordon & MacPhail exports to more than 60 countries. It offers more than 300 presentations of own-bottled single malts. In 2009, Gordon & MacPhail was awarded the prestigious Queen's Award for Enterprise in International Trade; an honour that was bestowed on the business again in 2013 with a visit from HRH The Princess Royal.

In 1993 Gordon & MacPhail purchased Benromach Distillery and re-equipped it before it was officially opened by HRH Prince Charles in 1998. A four star visitor centre is open to the public throughout the year for tours and tastings. Benromach distillery is a member of the world famous malt whisky trail.

In 2010 Gordon & MacPhail made history by bottling the oldest cask ever released – a 70 Year Old Mortlach, distilled in 1938. They followed this up by releasing 100 70cl and 175 20cl decanters of 70 Year Old Glenlivet in 2011. They have now released the remaining 100 70cl decanters from this cask.

Gordon & MacPhail is proud of its Moray roots and the company, its directors and its staff play an active role in their local community by supporting local charities and sponsoring local events.

Wealth Solutions

Wealth Solutions was established in 2007 with a mission to provide unique products for Polish collectors. The company was created by real enthusiasts of exceptional goods such as fine Bordeaux wines, top quality whisky, and art. Today, we are sharing our passion with our customers—a passion for beauty, excellence and uniqueness. Our products are a tribute to human masterpieces. Over the past 7 years, more than 7,000 clients have trusted Wealth Solutions by purchasing top quality collectibles and using the company's expertise.

In 2012, Wealth Solutions had an exclusive privilege to introduce Glenfarclas 1953 whisky. After 58 years of maturation in an oak sherry cask, its taste is exquisite. This whisky is a natural colour and non-filtered. The cask was selected by a panel including Serge Valentin – one of the most important whisky reviewer in the world. The cask yielded 400 numbered bottles. Each bottle is accompanied by a unique book written especially for this occasion by Ian Buxton, a writer and whisky reviewer. This limited edition of Glenfarclas whisky has been selected specially for customers of Wealth Solutions.

End of 2012 Wealth Solutions introduced the exceptional 48-year-old Japanese whisky from the legendary Karuizawa Distillery. Cask #3603 filled on 1st September 1964 is one of the oldest Japanese single malt whiskies in history. The whisky originates from one of the last casks from the 1960s made in the silent Japanese Karuizawa distillery. Only 143 numbered bottles of this whisky were put on sale. Each of them features exquisite presentation and comes with an exclusive publication by Dave Broom, whisky author and reviewer. This limited edition of Karuizawa whisky was bottled exclusively for clients of Wealth Solutions.

A love of Bordeaux wine has been cultivated by us and our clients for years. It is especially for them that we work with renowned partners to create unique wine collections. In 2013 Wealth Solutions introduced a special wine collection *Les tresors de Bordeaux* - selection of six best vintages from Château La Conseillante. Inside these six bottles one can find embodied the greatest virtues of one of the oldest vineyards of Pomerol.

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