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Single Malt Scotch Tasting at 7,600 Feet in Wyoming's Wind River Range

Lander, WY - Scotland's distilleries suggest Scotch should be shared among friends. So grab your friends and plan to attend the single malt Scotch tasting event at the Miner's Delight Inn Bed & Breakfast in Atlantic City on May 31 at 6 p.m. until 9 p.m. Whether you're a single malt connoisseur or novice, here's the chance for your palate to compare seven wee drams from Scotland's four regions. Pungent peat, nuttiness, salty sea air, and fresh fruit: These are but a few of the myriad flavors in malted Scotch whisky. Your \$40 ticket will get you a wee dram (one half ounce) of each of the seven single malts and palate-cleansing hors d'oeuvres by Atlantic City's own Miner's Grubstake restaurant. Maps, books, pamphlets, and distillery information will be on hand at the tasting. You'll get a "tasting notes" card to record your impressions. Your hosts, one a single malt Scotch connoisseur-in-training, will lead you on this epic trip to taste *uisage beatha* (OOSH-ki baah), Scots Gaelic for "water of life."

The retail prices of the seven single malts range from \$46 to \$99 a bottle. Several of the malt whisky offerings at the tasting mark the first time these whiskies have been offered for sale in Wyoming. The list includes:

- _ Edradour (edra-DOWER) 10 year old from the southern Highlands
- _ Bruichladdich (brewch-LADDIE) 12 year old from the island of Islay (EYE-la)
- _ Old Pulteney (OLD Pult-nay) 12 year old from the northern Highlands
- _ Auchentoshan (OK-en-TO-shan) Three Wood 15 year old from the Lowlands
- _ The Glenlivet (glen-LIV-et) French Oak Reserve 15 year old from Speyside
 - _ Isle of Jura (Jer-ra) 16 year old from the Isle of Jura
 - _ The Glenrothes (glen-ROTH-is) 1979 Vintage from Speyside

If your schedule does not allow you to attend this tasting, bed and breakfast owners Barbara and Bob Townsend will schedule a tasting for your company or private party. They will provide the service in the Miner's Delight Inn or at a venue of your choice in Wyoming. To host your tasting outside Atlantic City, they must obtain your local government agency's permissions and permits, which could take several weeks. Barbara and Bob will suggest distilleries' offerings to match your desires for region, age, price, and dram size, or you may specify a list of single malt Scotches you wish to offer at your tasting. Contact Barbara and Bob to start planning your single malt Scotch tasting event. As part of a package, Innkeepers Barbara and Bob Townsend will deduct \$5 per person from their regular room or cabin rate for ticket holders who make a reservation to stay at the Inn on the night of the tasting. Visit the Inn's Web site, <http://www.minersdelightinn.com> for details. Barbara and Bob suggest you start this memorable evening with dinner at the Atlantic City Mercantile. You'll need dinner reservations so book early.

Tickets for the Scotch Tasting will be sold through May 27 unless they sell out earlier. You must be 21 years old or older to get in the door. Tickets will not be sold at the door, and you must have your ticket and an I.D. to get in. Your \$40 ticket will get you a wee dram (one half ounce) of each of the seven single malts and palate-cleansing hors

d'oeuvres by Atlantic City's own Miner's Grubstake.

Call the Miner's Delight Inn Bed & Breakfast at 307.332.0248 or 888.292.0248 to purchase tickets with a credit card, or buy tickets with cash or check at the Lander or Riverton Chambers of Commerce. You can also reach the Inn at bandb@minersdelightinn.com or <http://www.minersdelightinn.com>.

For a complete list of events in Wyoming's Wind River Country, go to <http://www.wind-river.org> or call 800-645-6233 for a free vacation packet.