

Virginia Distillery Company to Introduce New Beer Finished Whisky Series

Brewers Batch line to feature whisky finished in local brewery casks

LOVINGSTON, Va. (Feb. 6, 2018) – Virginia Distillery Company plans to release the first batch of its Brewers Batch Virginia-Highland Whisky this week. Batch #1 was done in collaboration with Three Notch'd Brewing Company, a Central Virginia brewery. Release parties at both the distillery's Visitors Center as well as the brewery will take place on February 10, 2018.

Three Notch'd Brewing created a Wee Heavy style beer especially for batch #1 called "Stage Road". The brewery used Virginia Distillery Company's whisky casks to age the beer for a number of months and Virginia Distillery Company took the barrels back for finishing this inaugural release of Brewers Batch. The whisky finished in these casks for 12 months.

Along with an annual Virginia project, the Brewers Batch collaboration will expand to collaborations with breweries in markets outside of Virginia where Virginia Distillery Company whisky is available. The second batch is currently being planned with Three Stars Brewing in Washington, D.C. with an anticipated release of Fall 2018.

"We love collaborating with different makers on releases," Virginia Distillery Company's CEO Gareth H. Moore said. "The Brewers Batch Virginia-Highland Whisky has provided a fun chance to work with a great quality brewery that happens to be close to home, Three Notch'd Brewing Company."

The new whisky will be available beginning Feb. 10 at the Virginia Distillery Company Visitors Center at 299 Eades Lane in Lovingston, VA 22949. Three Notch'd Brewing is hosting a collaboration celebration party on Feb. 10 at their Charlottesville brewery and restaurant, Three Notch'd Craft Kitchen and Brewery, from 4 to 8 p.m.

"I would've never guessed that whisky could pick up flavors from beer barrels, but Virginia Distillery Company made it happen," said Dave Warwick, brewmaster at Three Notch'd Brewing Company. "Seeing our logo on a whisky bottle is surreal. It's definitely one of our proudest moments here at Three Notch'd."

The distillery expects Brewers Batch to be available in select Virginia ABC stores in the coming weeks. A small amount will be available online and in the D.C. market in March. The 750 ml bottle retails for \$64.59 plus tax. 250 cases were produced.

The Brewers Batch Virginia-Highland Whisky joins a line-up of several other offerings from Virginia Distillery Company, including the distillery's flagship Port Cask Finished Virginia-Highland Whisky, Cider Cask Finished Virginia-Highland Whisky and Chardonnay Cask Finished Virginia-Highland Whisky.

For more information, visit the distillery's website at www.vadistillery.com.

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About Virginia Distillery Company:

Virginia Distillery Company whiskies yield a complex taste, due to the influence of Virginia's Blue Ridge Mountains and maturation in ex-bourbon, Sherry and re-toasted wine casks. The distillery is currently crafting its American Single Malt at the distillery located in Lovingston, Virginia. The casks have been

resting since November 2015 and will be bottled when the whisky says it's ready. While the American Single Malt ages, customers may enjoy the Virginia-Highland Whisky series.

About Three Notch'd Brewing Company:

Founded in 2013, Three Notch'd Brewing Company was conceived by three friends who value great beer and great times, with close family and friends. Three Notch'd Road was a colonial-era thoroughfare running east and west through Central Virginia. The original trail runs less than a quarter mile from the founding Three Notch'd location. The primary goal of Three Notch'd is to offer the most innovative, freshest craft beer to our patrons while paying homage to the rich history of Virginia. Three Notch'd has two locations in Charlottesville including a new flagship production facility and craft kitchen located at IX Art Park and the Sour House at Grady Avenue, plus taprooms in Richmond and Harrisonburg specializing in collaboration beers with organizations in the community. A new collab house and craft kitchen is slated to open in Roanoke late Spring of 2018.