

## CAÑA AGRÍCOLA DE PUERTO RICO

## Surviving Irma in Puerto Rico

After expecting total devastation at our new distillery San Juan Artisan Distillers in Vega Alta, Puerto Rico,(20 miles west of San Juan), home of Ron Pepon, the first-ever Puerto Rican Agricole Rum Distillery, we are very relieved to say we and most of Puerto Rico were blessed, as Category 5 Hurricane Irma barely missed us by a few miles from its catastrophic 185 mph winds as it turned out to sea.

Our hearts go out to our fellow brothers from neighboring islands who suffered full impact of this devastating storm.

Our Distillery, Aging House, and new 3-ton-per-hour sugar cane mill system came out unscathed! Our crop of 75 acres of Puerto Rican Sugar Cane cultivars did suffer quite a bit, yet it's nothing compared to what the potential damage could have been! Thanks for all the prayers and positive messages received.

We are without power, cable, internet and water! We do have emergency power and water at home, but no internet.

I truly believe Puerto Rico was blessed and saved from disaster. Pepe Alvarez Ron Pepon



