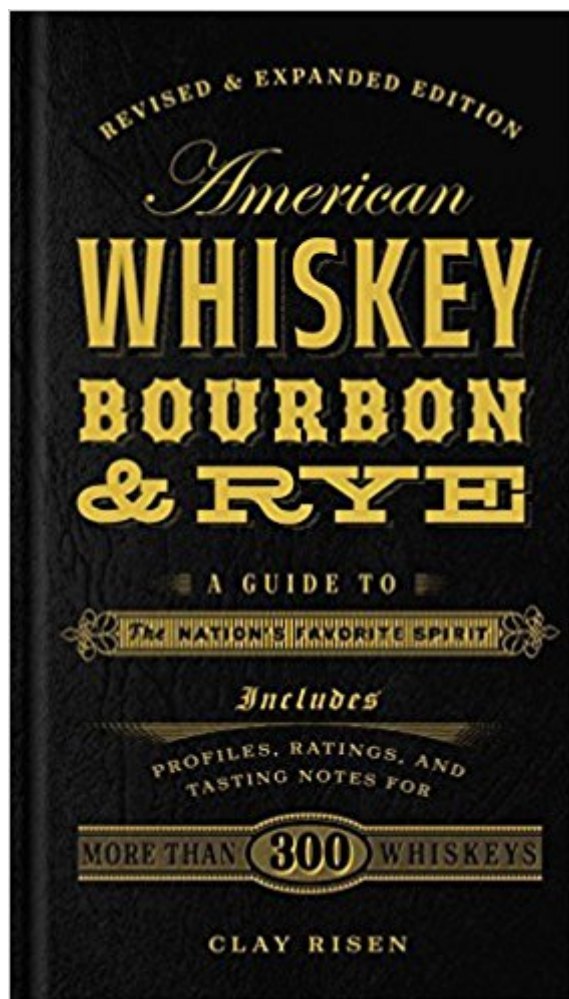


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American Whiskey, Bourbon & Rye: A Guide To The Nation's Favorite Spirit



Synopsis

The bible of American whiskey has been updatedâ€”now with more than 300 entries! Organized in an A-to-Z directory by distillery, then brand, this second edition of *American Whiskey, Bourbon & Rye* features more than 330 whiskeys, including more than 120 new entries. Each section includes a brief history of the maker, along with its location, followed by a full account of each bottling, including details on age, proof, nose, color, body, palate, price, as well as an overall rating. A comprehensive primer provides a short history of the spirit, how itâ€™s made, and how to enjoy it, including tips on organizing tasting sessions. Also included are a glossary of terms, a selection of top whiskeys by value and ratings, a handy checklist, and two helpful indexes. With this book, choosing from among the many whiskeys, bourbons, and ryes made in America has never been easier.

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Praise for *American Whiskey, Bourbon & Rye* — “A comprehensive and opinionated guide for the intermediate tippler . . . Itâ€™s a detailed, admirably cranky directory. Risenâ€™s tasting notes for each are erudite and fun.” —*Wall Street Journal* — “Risen is something of a Renaissance man . . . a Leonardo da Vinci of whiskey. *American Whiskey, Bourbon & Rye* . . . should have a proud place on the bookshelf (or by the bar) of anyone who is an enthusiast of bourbon and other American whiskeys. Very useful for shopping purposes . . . Bring this book with you.” —*Los Angeles Review of Books* — “Risen delicately walks readers into whiskeyâ€™s past, present,

and future. . . . His words are meant for whiskey lovers, as he dissects every brand's story and scores products on an NR (not recommended) to four-star scale. An American whiskey treasure worthy of four stars. • "Whiskey Advocate" • "A whiskey novice's best friend . . . It's a book I plan on keeping around for constant reference. • "Savour"

Clay Risen is an editor at the New York Times, where he has written extensively on whiskey, rum, and other spirits. He has also written for The Atlantic, Smithsonian, and the Washington Post. He is the author of *A Nation on Fire: America in the Wake of the King Assassination* (Wiley, 2009) and *The Bill of the Century: The Epic Battle for the Civil Rights Act* (Bloomsbury, 2014). Risen grew up in Nashville, Tennessee, and lives in Brooklyn, NY, with his wife and two young children.

I was so intrigued with this book, a gift for my Son, I sat down and read through it for a bit before wrapping it! He and his wife are at the beginning stages of putting their bar together and they were quite happy with this gift to help them. As well, his Father-in-Law is an avid bourbon fan so they can explore the many choices together now armed with more factoids!

This is a great resource for anyone who enjoys collecting or sampling various labels of whiskeys, bourbons, and ryes! I was skeptical of how I would line up with the author's reviews and tasting notes, but I've found that agree with the vast majority of this guide. It even pushed me to try some whiskeys I'd never consider because of their respective labels or bottling/packaging.

Clears up a few misconceptions, makes choosing hard-to-find whiskies less risky, and draws connections between distilleries and their master blenders and related "house" styles. All in all, very useful, and less prone to repeat advertising ballyhoo. Enjoyable and reliable - not a bad combination. Add this to your whiskey library soon!

If you enjoy American Whiskey, this is a great addition to your library/bar. With hundreds of short reviews and history and multiple distilleries, you'll learn about the origins of your favorite whiskey while being introduced to new ones!

Whiskey is a Gaelic word, for yes, water of life. Yet few of us can keep up with all the new life-sustaining product coming out of America's distilleries both large and small. Clay Risen's "American Whiskey, Bourbon & Rye" is the guide to get. It explains how we the brown liquor people

got here, why whiskey is so important to the country's rebellious history, and what's new and worthwhile at the local hooch shop. It cost way less than a bottle of Pappy Reserve, use the savings to get a bottle of America's best and get to reading & sipping.

Wow, what an enjoyable book. Purchased both the first and second edition. Enjoy the history, and detail for each Bourbon/Whiskey. It is an excellent barometer on what is good and what to stay away from. Everyone has their own taste, yet the book is very accurate in giving its opinion on the Whiskeys listed. Well laid out, and cannot wait for the third addition.

I love this book. Gives a history of where each brand of whiskey is from and how it's made and tastes and average cost of each bottle. It contains every bottle of whiskey sold in the market. A lot I have never heard of but after reading this, I have a good sense of what's involved in whiskey making and the history of it. It makes me more appreciate my spirits each time I take a sip of my drink.

For anyone who wants to learn more about Bourbon's and Rye, this book is a must. Concise but very informative, written by an author who truly loves to delve into the world of whiskies.

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