

# THE TEMPLE BAR



EST. **1840**

*the irish and whiskey  
we celebrate our births with whiskey,  
we toast our weddings with whiskey,  
we mourn our deaths with it,  
we salute our heroes with it,  
we brace ourselves against life's slings  
and arrows with it,  
we warm our bones with it.*

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## Whiskey Sample Menu

The Temple Bar has selected three distinct Irish whiskeys for you to taste. Turn the page and enjoy. You might just discover your favourite Irish Whiskey

### WHISKY OR WHISKEY

'WHISKY' is made in Scotland and 'Whiskey' is made in Ireland and the United States. Just to confuse us, most whiskies marketed in Japan and Canada are labelled 'Whisky'.

Single Malt whisky is the product of malted barley only. Grain whisky and whiskey from Ireland and the United States are produced from a wider range of cereals including rye, wheat and corn.

**IRISH WHISKEY** has a distinct difference to our neighbouring Scottish spirit. Our whiskey is distilled three times giving it a more smooth taste with mellowed malt and barley honey sweetness. The pot stills give it a distinctive spiciness. If you have never tried whiskey, it's time you started, and the Irish version is where to begin.

**HISTORY** In the 18th century, there were 2000 stills operating in Ireland, most were 'Illicit Poteen' stills that were dotted around the countryside. The decline in the whiskey trade was influenced by tax, the threat of the Blended Scotch and being prohibited to sell to the Americas. This proved a great blow to the small distilleries. In 1924 there were twenty six

distilleries left in production. By 1937 just five remained. The amalgamation of rival families such as J. Jameson and Son, John Power and Son, Bushmills and cork Distillers, meant that United Irish distillers were the sole producer for the whiskey market in Ireland.

In the 1980's an Independent Irish owned Whiskey distillery opened for production and gave a rebirth to many lost labelled whiskeys. The Cooley distillery is a breath of fresh air to the industry, reviving an age old tradition of peated smokey whiskeys Locke's, Kilbeggan, Tyrconnell and the famous connemara are all produced at this distillery.

**THE PUB** The Temple Bar Whisky Whiskey Collection is a long established selection of rare and interesting whiskeys gathered from all over the World. Of course it all started when we used to bottle and label each individual whiskey from the barrel into their own unique bottles. While this practice is now handled by the distilleries, the business of procuring, maintaining and providing customers with Ireland's largest whiskey collection is definitely still in the hands of the Temple Bar Pub.

SAMPLE  
ALL 3 FOR  
€16

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**NOSE:** Soft and light with an intriguing background maltiness.

**TASTE:** Soft and crisp with a distinct nutty, malty and charred-wood finish.

**FINISH:** A sweetness gently fading, mellow maltiness and mild woody notes lingering pleasingly.

## PADDY

Paddy is an exceptionally mellow whiskey, distinguished by the generous proportion of single malt in its blend. Distilled three times from the finest quality barley & water from the east Cork countryside, Paddy is matured for up to seven years in dark aromatic warehouses where it mellows, and takes on its distinctive rich, golden colour. Two percent of Paddy Whiskey is lost to the atmosphere during maturation and has come to be called 'The Angel's Share'.

ANOTHER TO TRY...

REDBREAST 12 Year Old

**NOSE:** Fruity, spicy with some dry peppery tones.

**TASTE:** Full flavoured predominantly pot still with honeyed spicy notes.

**FINISH:** Long, sweet and sour with lingering spice.

## POWERS

Powers is regarded as the classic & quintessential Irish whiskey. It is recognised by whiskey connoisseurs as a whiskey of superior quality due to its high pot-still content; it is meticulously crafted from the finest Irish barley and water, triple distilled for purity and matured in oak barrels for up to seven years. Powers offers a rich, round, complex and full-flavoured drinking experience.

ANOTHER TO TRY...

POWERS 12 Year Old

**NOSE:** To the nose, Jameson has a light floral fragrance, peppered with spicy wood and sweet notes.

**TASTE:** Perfect balance of spicy, nutty and vanilla notes with hints of sweet sherry and exceptional smoothness.

**FINISH:** Incredibly smooth and mellow finish.

## JAMESON

Unlike American whiskeys, which are usually distilled just once, and Scotch whiskeys, which try a little harder with two distillations, we distil Jameson Irish Whiskey three times.

We mix precisely the right amount of malted barley and exactly the right amount of unmalted barley resulting in a perfectly balanced whiskey.

ANOTHER TO TRY...

JAMESON 18 Year Old