Latest Kentucky Owl Whiskeys to be showcased in Cannes



Offering superior quality and a great history, Kentucky Owl 10-Year Old Kentucky Straight Rye Whiskey Batch #3 and Kentucky Owl Confiscated are new to the market

Following the introduction of its newly acquired brand, Kentucky Owl, at TFWA World Exhibition in Cannes last year, Stoli Group will be showcasing two new whiskeys this time around (Beach Village, 6).

The company recently announced the release of Kentucky Owl 10-Year Old Kentucky Straight Rye Whiskey Batch #3, which will be arriving in select locations in the United States later this month. This highly sought-after rye whiskey will be one of two products showcased by Stoli in Cannes this year. The equally special, Kentucky Owl Confiscated is the second.

Rye #3 is 114 proof and 57% ABV. Dixon Dedman, Kentucky Owl Master Blender, says he experimented deeply to find the right profile while adjusting the proof through blind tastings, but kept gravitating back to 114-proof. "There is a lot of older juice in Rye #3, but it's the 10-year old stocks that really give it the richer, thicker, syrupy mouth-feel, and bring the blend forward," he commented. In 2014, Dedman resurrected the brand founded by his great-great grandfather in 1879.

Kentucky Owl 10-Year Old Kentucky Straight Rye Whiskey Batch #3 has a suggested retail price of \$199.99 for a 750mL bottle.

C.M. Dedman, the great-great grandfather of the Master Blender, found his barrels seized by the government just ahead of Prohibition. Kentucky Owl Confiscated, a blend of 6-, 9-, 10-, and 12-year-old distillates, pays tribute to the whiskey seized in this operation.

At 96.4 proof and 48.2% ABV, Kentucky Owl Confiscated has a suggested retail price of US\$124.99.

"We think Kentucky Owl 10-Year Old Kentucky Straight Rye Whiskey Batch #3 and Kentucky Owl Confiscated both have the superior quality and a great history, which travel retail customers will love. We look forward to introducing them to our customers in Cannes." said Jean-Philippe Aucher, Stoli Group's Global Duty Free and Travel Retail Director.

Flavor notes:

Rye #3: This whiskey features citrus, orange juice, grapefruit, oak, anise, and barbeque spice on the nose. The combination of barrel sweetness, caramel candy, creamy vanilla, toffee, and hazelnut coat the palate before moving into a finish of licorice, absinthe, nutmeg and a mild flash of cayenne pepper.

Confiscated: Floral gardenia and honeysuckle along with grape, red apple, orange cuties, wet banana bread and toasty sourdough bread crust on the nose. The taste is reminiscent of graham crackers, toffee, muted sweet cinnamon spice and fresh-squeezed orange juice, balanced with white grapes and finishing with a hint of cayenne.