

Silent Pool Distillers launches Black Juniper Gin at TFWA AP



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British gin distiller [Silent Pool Distillers](#) launched its brand-new expression, Silent Pool [Black Juniper Gin](#), at an exclusive event held at the TFWA Asia Pacific Lounge at the Marina Bay Sands Expo & Convention Center.

According to the company, the gin is made from the purest black juniper, a rare botanical sustainably sourced from Bhutan. The multi-stage production process of Silent Pool Black Juniper Gin celebrates Bhutanese heritage, specifically the fragrant smoke, juniper and tea elements associated with the Himalayan Puja ritual - a ceremony for climbers and sherpas beginning an intrepid climb to the summit of a mountain.

Production begins by smoking the Black Juniper with oud, followed by the maceration process which uses carefully selected botanicals including Coriander, Voatsiperifery, Grains of Paradise, and the warming spices of Tasmanian Mountain Pepper.

Rare teas are added to optimize flavor complexity; this includes tea from the "Abode of Clouds" - a median between Assam and Darjeeling teas - which is inherently light and floral with deep notes of caramel and malt. Scarce Himalayan black tea is sourced from the Jun Chiyabari Tea Garden in Nepal, one of the highest known tea plantations in the world.

Nepalese Cherry Blossom, manuka and olive leaves develop the blend further, before a final infusion of oud takes place to match the intensity of aromas with the depth of Black Juniper's natural essential oils.

Located at the edge of the Himalayan mountains, Bhutan is the only carbon-negative country in the world and is home to the purest air in the world, allowing the black juniper berries to develop and ripen in abundance, packed with powerful essential oils.

Black Juniper Gin has been developed in harmony with Bhutanese Buddhist environmental beliefs. In a celebration of protecting the world around us, Silent Pool Distillers has worked closely with the community of local foragers to optimize the crop by leaving some berries on the evergreen shrubs to encourage future growth of this scarce "black jewel."

Rhian Billington, Marketing Director of Silent Pool Distillers, said, "Genuinely innovative projects are integral to us here at Silent Pool Distillers. Working closely with Michael Rutland OBE, the United Kingdom's Honorary Consul in Bhutan, this private commission of Black Juniper berries has allowed us to create a truly remarkable gin expression that exceeds the expectation of our discerning customers and fellow gin producers alike. It was also important to us that we could incorporate Bhutanese culture into each step of Silent Pool Black Juniper Gin's production and we are excited to see the reaction to this truly remarkable spirit from Silent Pool Distillers, and where it may lead us to as an independent gin distillery."