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**Wemyss Malts launches new single casks in USA through Classic & Vintage Artisanal Spirits**

Boutique Scotch whisky company Wemyss Malts is thrilled to announce the launch of exclusive new single cask single malts through its US importer Classic & Vintage Artisanal Spirits, a division of Domaine Select Wine Estates (DSWE) which is devoted to promoting the growing culture associated with fine, quality cocktails across the United States.

Inspired by his family's long association with the whisky industry, Wemyss Malts' founder, William Wemyss, started the company in 2005. William realised that some whisky terminology could be confusing to those less knowledgeable on the subject, so decided to introduce a range of whiskies named after their natural taste and aroma to make it easier to understand the nature of the whisky being purchased.

Wemyss Malts works closely with Scotch Whisky expert Charlie MacLean and its own tasting panel in order to select and name each whisky it releases. The latest introduction for the US market comprises 4 very special single cask bottlings – each from an individual wooden cask from an individual Scotch distillery. The new range is:

- “A Day at the Coast” – a Highland 14 year old hogshead from Clynelish Distillery
- “The Dunes” – a Highland 29 year old hogshead from Inchgower Distillery
- “A Matter of Smoke” – an Islay 15 year old hogshead from Caol Ila Distillery
- “Winter Larder” – a Speyside 20 year old butt from Glen Elgin Distillery

Only a few hundred bottles of each single malt single cask are available and upon further completion, there will be new additional limited releases specifically for the US market.

The CEO and Founder of DSWE, Paolo Domeneghetti is delighted to have Wemyss Malts within his portfolio: “The Wemyss Malts range of hand-crafted Scotch whiskies is a perfect fit within our boutique spirits range. I have no doubt that these latest single cask whiskies will surprise and charm our customers.”

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Notes to the Editor:

- **Wemyss Malts** is the brainchild of the Wemyss (pronounced 'weems') family from Fife, Scotland. Their family seat is Wemyss Castle in Fife where they have lived since the 1300s. The family's connection with the whisky industry dates back to the turn of the 19th century when John Haig's first distillery was built on family land. Even today barley from their estate in Fife is grown for many of Scotland's leading distilleries.
- Wemyss blended malts 8 years old range: Peat Chimney, Spice King and Smooth Gentleman; won silver medals in the 2011 International Spirits Challenge (ISC). Peat Chimney won a Double Gold medal in the 2012 San Francisco World Spirits Competition.
- Wemyss single cask bottlings have also won acclaim, including a Liquid Gold Award in Jim Murray's 2011 Whisky Bible for "Tropical Spice".
- Also owned by Wemyss, Darnley's View London Dry Gin was launched in May 2010. The key botanicals are elderflower and citrus. Recent awards include Spirits Business Gin Masters Gold Medal 2011 and Travel Retail Masters 2010. It has also recently won a gold medal in the 2012 International Wine & Spirits Competition (IWSC).
- **About Classic & Vintage Artisanal Spirits:** Assembled in 2009, the Classic & Vintage Collection is a portfolio of boutique spirits, founded by Domaine Select Wine Estates (DSWE). The Portfolio represents a dynamic and diverse group of products that promote the growing culture associated with fine, quality cocktails across the United States. This spirits set is an unprecedented collection of gems, each with a distinct and relevant story.
- **About Domaine Select Wine Estates:** Founded in 1999, Domaine Select Wine Estates (DSWE) is dedicated to wines and specialized spirits from around the world of the highest quality and which demonstrate excellence and tremendous character, particular to their origin. DSWE is committed to transmitting the individuality of the producers; expressing diversity, tradition and personality is the tenet of DSWE. Domaine Select Wine Estates was named 2010 Importer of the Year by FOOD & WINE Magazine.

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