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BEVX REPORT

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2016CEDAR RIDGE
IOWA BOURBON

THE DATA

Category: Whiskey**Sub-Category:** Iowa Bourbon**Origin:** Iowa, USA**Retail Price:** \$39**ABV:** 40%

HOW TO ENJOY IT

The Cedar Ridge Bourbon is perfectly pleasant with nothing more than a glass. It's **perfectly balanced** and ready to drink. The distillers recommend their Iowa Bourbon in an Old Fashioned – we agree.

COOL FACTOR



B+

I'm a big fan of grain to bottle distillers. The Cedar Ridge Bourbon is short on intensity but long on complexity. The **blueprint of the new American spirit. Grade - B+**

ANALYSIS



Cedar Ridge is the first licensed distillery in the state of Iowa since Prohibition. Yes, these guys are really making Whiskey in Iowa. (I assume that everyone got that so let's move on.) The Cedar Ridge Bourbon is crafted with a mashbill of 74% corn, 14% toasted rye, and 12% malted barley. The wood impact on this Bourbon is more dry, earthy notes than sweet vanilla accents found in the majority of Bourbons. It's **a unique style** and we look forward to watching the growth of Cedar Ridge.



TALKING POINTS



FROM CEDAR RIDGE

If it has to be whiskey, make it a handcrafted single malt. The 2015 adoption of our unique Solera system marries the best characteristics of each single-barrel to achieve a depth of flavor and complexity that is not possible with a single barrel system alone.

VALUE GRADE



C

At nearly \$40 a bottle the Cedar Ridge Bourbon has some stiff competition. **Grade - C**

IN THE GLASS

Appearance: Brilliant copper color.

Aromatics: The nose is complex and subtle for a Bourbon with scents of grain, brown baking spices, and oak, with accents of dried herbs, fresh mint, and hints of toffee.

Flavor: The palate echoes the nose delivering a dry and slightly astringent fruit and caramel core with flanking notes of baking spices, pepper, and toasted grain.

Intensity & Texture: Medium-bodied with ideal balance thanks to a bright dose of acidity and dry spices.

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