

NORTON HOUSE

HOTEL & SPA

EDINBURGH

Drinks Menu

Welcome to Norton House Hotel & Spa. Built for pleasure by Alexander Berwick in 1840, we continue that tradition to this day. Norton House was later owned by the renowned Usher family, who as pioneers of blended whisky became one of the greatest whisky producers of the 19th century. Converted to a hotel in the 1950's, we are now part of the Hand Picked Hotels Collection.

Relax and enjoy **Afternoon Tea** in the drawing room or indulge in a **Cocktail** or two in the conservatory lounge. Take your time and unwind with a glass of **Champagne** before dinner and explore our extensive list of **Whisky** and **Cognac** after dinner.

Good food is the essence of Norton House. Experience exquisite cuisine in our three AA rosette award winning restaurant **Ushers** or enjoy a relaxed meal in the **Brasserie**.

Family Sunday Carvery and Pudding Buffet Lunch

Come and join us for our Family Carvery and
Pudding Buffet Lunch,
last Sunday of every month!

£18.95 for 3 Courses.

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HOTELS

BUILT FOR PLEASURE

Cocktails

All £8.25

Mojito

Bacardi Rum, Mint Leaves, Fresh Lime Juice and Sugar Syrup muddled and topped with Soda

Grey Goose Le Fizz

Grey Goose Vodka, St. Germain Elderflower Liqueur and Fresh Lime Juice topped with Soda

Bombay Bramble

Bombay Sapphire Gin, Chambord Raspberry Liqueur and Fresh Lemon Juice

Gentleman Sour

Gentleman Jack Whisky, Fresh Lemon Juice, Sugar Syrup and Angostura Bitters

Elderflower Collins

Bombay Sapphire Gin, St. Germain Elderflower Liqueur, Fresh Lemon, Sugar and Soda

Apple Daiquiri

Bacardi Rum, Apple Juice, Fresh Lime Juice and Sugar Syrup

Cosmopolitan

Finlandia Grapefruit Vodka, Triple Sec, Cranberry Juice and Fresh Lime Juice

Ultimate Cocktails

Ultimate Champagne Cocktail £250

Hennessy Richard Cognac topped off with Krug Grande Cuvée Champagne

Laphroaig Sour £50

Laphroaig 30 year old Whisky, Fresh Lemon Juice, Sugar Syrup and Angostura Bitters

Non Alcoholic Cocktails

Ginger Fizz £3.90

Fresh Mint, Fresh Lime Juice, dash Cranberry Juice and topped with Ginger Ale

Sunset Island £3.10

Pineapple, Grapefruit, Sugar Syrup shaken and topped off with Lemonade

Designated Driver £3.10

Cranberry, grapefruit, orange and pineapple finished off with grenadine

Can't see your favourite cocktail? Ask your server if they can make it for you

Spirits & Liqueurs

Grain Whisky	25ml
Compass Box Hedonism <i>sponge cake, coconut, vanilla cream</i>	£10.20
Blended Whisky	25ml
Famous Grouse	£4.05
Irish Whiskey	25ml
Jamesons	£4.80
American Whiskey	25ml
Jack Daniel's	£4.30
Makers Mark	£4.40
Gentleman Jack	£6.35
Gin	25ml
Caorunn, <i>Scotland</i>	£4.80
Hendrick's, <i>Scotland</i>	£5.10
Gordon's, <i>England</i>	£4.05
Bombay Sapphire, <i>England</i>	£4.45
Tanqueray Ten, <i>England</i>	£6.30
Vodka	25ml
Smirnoff Red	£3.95
Grey Goose	£6.00
Finlandia Grapefruit	£4.75
Rum	25ml
Bacardi Superior	£4.25
Bacardi 8 Year Old	£5.25
Captain Morgans	£4.25
Morgan's Spiced	£4.25
Havana Club Añejo Especial	£4.40
Liqueurs	25ml
Amaretto	£4.30
Baileys (50ml)	£4.25
Chambord	£4.30
Cointreau	£4.55
Drambuie	£5.00
Glayva	£5.00
Jack Daniel's Honey	£4.60
Tia Maria	£4.30
Tequila	£4.50
Sambuca	£4.55
Southern Comfort	£4.45

Beer & Cider

Draught Beer	Half	Pint
San Miguel, <i>Spain</i>	£2.00	£4.00
Carlsberg, <i>Denmark</i>	£1.95	£3.90
Tetley's, <i>England</i>	£1.95	£3.90
Guinness, <i>Ireland</i>	£2.25	£4.50
Cider		
Magners, <i>Ireland</i>		£4.65
Rekorderlig, <i>Sweden</i>		£5.60
Bottled Beer		
Edinburgh Gold, <i>Scotland</i>		£4.70
St Giles, <i>Scotland</i>		£4.70
Embura, <i>Scotland</i>		£4.70
Peroni, <i>Italy</i>		£4.40
Corona, <i>Mexico</i>		£4.40
Fortified Wine		
Port		100ml
Warre's Reserve		£4.60
Warre's Late Bottled Vintage		£4.85
Warre's 10 Year Old Tawny		£6.15
Sherry		100ml
Tio Pepe Fino		£5.75
Harveys Bristol Cream		£5.75
Croft Original		£5.75
Vermouth		50ml
Noilly Prat		£3.60
Cinzano Bianco		£3.60
Martini Extra Dry		£3.60
Martini Rosso		£3.60
Soft Drinks		
Coke		£2.50
Diet Coke		£2.50
Lemonade		£2.00
Ginger Beer		£2.00
Ginger Ale		£2.00
Tonic/Slimline Tonic		£2.00
Fruit Juices		£2.00
Bitter Lemon		£2.00
J2O Apple & Mango		£3.00
J2O Orange & Passion Fruit		£3.00
Appletiser		£2.00
Irn Bru		£2.50
Irn Bru Sugar Free		£2.50

Wine List

Champagne and Sparkling Wine

	<u>125ml</u>	<u>175ml</u>	<u>Bottle</u>
Bruno Paillard Brut Premiere Cuvée NV			
France	£8.75	£12.25	£52.00
Jeio Brut Prosecco NV			
Italy	£7.00		£40.00
Charles de Fere Cuvée Jean Louis Brut NV			
France	£6.25		£38.00

White Wine

	<u>125ml</u>	<u>175ml</u>	<u>250ml</u>	<u>Bottle</u>
Terre Forti Trebbiano Chardonnay				
Italy	£4.00	£5.50	£7.75	£23.00
Maison Belenger Cotes De Gascogne				
France	£4.50	£6.25	£8.75	£26.00
Crooked Mick Viognier				
Australia	£4.75	£6.75	£9.50	£28.00
Villa dei Fiori Fiano				
Italy	£4.75	£6.75	£9.50	£28.00
Valdivieso Sauvignon Blanc				
Chile	£5.00	£7.00	£9.75	£29.00
The Spee'wah Houseboat Chardonnay				
Australia	£5.00	£7.00	£9.75	£29.00
Stellenrust Chenin Blanc				
South Africa	£5.00	£7.00	£9.75	£29.00
Chateau Petit Moulin Blanc				
France	£5.50	£7.80	£10.90	£32.00
Tillia Chardonnay				
Argentina	£5.50	£7.75	£11.00	£33.00
Argento Pinot Grigio				
Argentina	£6.00	£8.50	£12.00	£36.00
Tim Adams Foxlee Riesling				
Australia	£6.50	£9.25	£13.00	£39.00
Spy Valley Sauvignon Blanc				
New Zealand	£6.75	£9.50	£13.50	£40.00
Chablis Domaine des Marronniers				
France	£7.50	£10.50	£15.00	£45.00

Rosé Wine

	<u>125ml</u>	<u>175ml</u>	<u>250ml</u>	<u>Bottle</u>
Petit Papillon Grenache Rosé				
France	£5.00	£7.00	£9.75	£29.00
Vivanco Rioja Rosado				
Spain	£5.25	£7.25	£10.50	£31.00
Delicato Zinfandel Rosé				
USA	£5.50	£7.50	£10.75	£32.00

Red Wine

	<u>125ml</u>	<u>175ml</u>	<u>250ml</u>	<u>Bottle</u>
Villa Saletta Rosso				
Italy	£4.00	£5.50	£7.75	£23.00
Solarena Tempranillo Carinena				
Spain	£4.50	£6.25	£8.75	£26.00
Circa 1788 Shiraz Viognier				
Argentina	£4.50	£6.50	£9.00	£27.00
Valdivieso Merlot				
Chile	£5.00	£7.00	£9.75	£29.00
Little Eden Pinot Noir				
Australia	£5.00	£7.00	£9.75	£29.00
Chianti Villa Saletta				
Italy	£5.00	£7.00	£9.75	£30.00
Les Sablons Ventoux Rouge				
France	£5.00	£7.00	£10.00	£31.00
Stone Barn Cabernet Sauvignon				
USA	£5.50	£7.50	£10.75	£32.00
Tillia Malbec				
Argentina	£5.75	£8.00	£11.50	£34.00
Valdivieso Single Valley Lot Pinot Noir				
Chile	£6.50	£9.25	£13.00	£39.00
Dinastia Vivanco Rioja Crianza				
Spain	£7.00	£9.75	£13.75	£41.00
Kloovenberg Shiraz				
South Africa	£7.25	£10.25	£14.50	£43.00

Single Malt Whisky

Norton House was once owned by Andrew Usher, who was one of the founders of the North British Distillery. He was chairman of the company until his death in 1898 and is considered to be the founding father of today's Scottish Whisky Industry. His Company produced a whisky called Ushers OVG (old vatted Glenlivet).

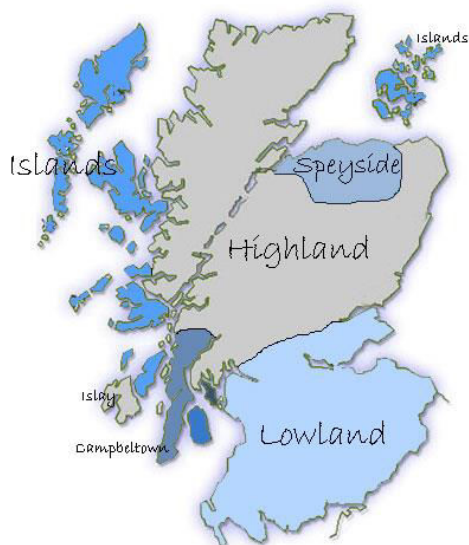
Vatted whisky is made from a blend of single malts, unlike Scotch or blended whisky which contain a mix of grain and malt whiskies together. In the early days of mass whisky production, blending the malts together allowed the maker to smooth out the rough edges, so to speak, producing a more palatable and consistent spirit to drink.

His partners at the North British Distillery were John Crabbie of Crabbies Green Ginger and William Sanderson of Vat69 Scotch.

Shortly before his death he donated £100,000 to build a concert hall in Edinburgh. The Usher Hall opened in 1914 and is one of Edinburgh's outstanding performance spaces much praised for its acoustics and architecture.

Oddly enough before his death Andrew joined the Temperance Movement. This led to a ban on alcohol being sold in the Usher Hall, which was ironic as the hall was built with excess profits he made from selling whisky.

Without him and his pioneering efforts we wouldn't have our beautiful hotel or the whisky that we fill it with.



Whisky Regions

Speyside Single Malt Whisky

Speyside whiskies are among Scotland's lightest, sweetest single malts. Age often brings a bit more body and the profusion of heavily sherried whiskies from the region exhibit superb power. Though a comparatively small appellation, Speyside has, by some distance, the vast majority of Scotch whisky distilleries. Indeed there are eighty-four working distilleries, including the world's best-sellers: The Glenlivet, Glenfiddich and The Macallan.

Aberlour	10 year old	£5.80
rich, sherried raisins, spicy fruit		
Balvenie DoubleWood	12 year old	£6.50
orange fruitiness, cinnamon		
Balvenie Single Barrel	15 year old	£11.50
hints of oak, vanilla and spice		
Balvenie Caribbean Cask	14 year old	£8.60
Vanilla, tropical fruits, orange		
Balvenie	30 year old	£35.00
sweet honey, nutty sherry, malty peat		
Benromach	30 year old	£39.00
rum raisins, winter spice, dried fruits		
Cragganmore	12 year old	£6.70
complex aroma, herbal flowery notes		
Glenfiddich	12 year old	£5.60
light and fresh, pear like fruitiness		
Glenfiddich Solera	15 year old	£9.50
warm spice, honey, rich fruit		
Glenfiddich	18 year old	£13.90
oak, baked apple, cinnamon		
Glenfiddich Gran Reserva	21 year old	£17.75
brown sugar, marmalade, fruitcake		
The Glenlivet	18 year old	£12.70
chewy sultanas, fudge, orange peels		
Knockando	12 year old	£5.80
manuka honey, heather, ginger		
Macallan Gold		£7.35
sweet sherry, honey, buttery		
Macallan Sherry Oak	18 year old	£18.50
clove, cinnamon, toffee, smoke		

All whisky served as 25ml or multiples thereof

Lowland Single Malt Whisky

Whiskies from the Lowlands tend to be light and gentle. The single malts are usually quite dry. Peat is very rarely used. The single malts are soft and delicate and triple distillation is practiced, indeed it is for this that the region is known. There is very little salinity and plenty of floral notes and balanced fruit

Auchentoshan	12 year old	£5.60
light, smooth, subtle		
Auchentoshan Three Wood		£8.30
cognac, cherries, chocolate		
Auchentoshan 1973	32 year old	£35.00
oaky, linseed, leather, oily		
Glenkinchie	12 year old	£5.60
softly aromatic, softly spicy		

Island Single Malt Whisky

The Islands is a diverse region, though the single malts are usually rather rich. Smoke is a recurring theme, as is balance and richness. There is often a good peat, salinity and counteracting cereal sweetness. There are no hard and fast rules for the Islands, for the terroir and production methods differ greatly between distilleries.

Highland Park	12 year old	£6.30
garden bonfire, heather honey sweet		
Highland Park	18 year old	£13.60
clove, cinnamon, toffee, smoke		
Isle of Jura Origin	10 year old	£5.60
dry, salty, oily		
Isle of Jura Prophecy		£12.00
Some peat, aniseed, oily, dry, pungent		
Talisker	10 year old	£6.60
smoky, sweet sour, peppery finish		

Highland Single Malt Whisky

The Highlands is a broad appellation, though the whiskies tend to be full in body. The Highlands is divided into four regions; Northern Highland whiskies are full, cereal sweet and rich; Southern Highland whiskies are slightly lighter with dryness and fruit; Eastern Highland whiskies are full, dry and very fruity; Western Highland whiskies are full and pungent with plenty of peat and smoke.

Dalmore	12 year old	£6.40
orange, spicy, plums		
Dalmore King Alexander III		£25.00
tangerine, chocolate, cranberry		
Dalwhinnie	15 year old	£5.95
smooth, long, heather, honey, cut grass		
Fettercairn 1997		£8.10
tropical fruits, roasted malt, spicy notes		
Glenmorangie	10 year old	£6.30
spicy, flowery, malty sweet, creamy		
Glenmorangie Margaux 1987		£31.00
lemon, spices, boiled sweets		
Glenmorangie Oloroso	30 year old	£28.00
peach, plum, choc raisins, walnuts		
Oban	14 year old	£6.30
fresh peat, fruity, seaweed, smoky		
Old Pulteney	17 year old	£11.10
honeydew melon and pear to dried fruits, sultanas in a hot cross bun		
Springbank	32 year old	£38.00
cookies with cream, sweet peat smoke		

Islay Single Malt Whisky

Single malts from Islay tend to be the most pungent and peaty of all Scotch whiskies. This is particularly true to the south of the isle, where peat smoke is rife, as is tar and salinity. Further north there is not quite the peaty intensity; instead there is often plenty of fruit and refinement. There is always a good degree of balance, wherever one is on the isle

Ardbeg	10 year old	£6.30
hefty, smoke, brine		
Bowmore	12 year old	£5.60
peat, smoke, earthy sweetness, salty		
Bowmore Darkest	15 year old	£8.45
sweet sherry, nutty, salty		
Bowmore	18 year old	£10.95
stewing fruit, peat smoke, blossom		
Bowmore	25 year old	£20.00
salty, toasted nuts with fresh sea air		
Bruichladdich The Laddie Ten		£7.50
liquorice, grainy, fudge, grassy		
Bunnahabhain	12 year old	£5.60
fresh gentle, nutty sea air		
Caol Ila	12 year old	£6.30
peat, pepper, spicy, olive like		
Lagavulin	16 year old	£6.30
peat, oil, grass, salt, sweet sherry		
Laphroaig	10 year old	£5.60
seaweed, salt, oily		
Laphroaig Quarter Cask		£8.10
rum and raisin ice cream, sweet cereals, cola syrup		
Laphroaig	30 year old	£50.00
toasted almonds, seaweedy, bittersweet		
Port Ellen	24 year old	£35.00
salty, smoky, oaky, peppery		