

Diplomatico Dark Rums

Tasting Notes

Diplomatico Anejo

Nose:	First impression of brown sugar, plus cocoa powder, sweet milky coffee and oaky spice - faint hint of clove as it develops. Raisins, caramel and vanilla, quite creamy without being heavy or overpowering.
Palate:	Medium-full. Develops exactly as the nose would suggest, with chocolatey raisin fudge, sweet milky coffee again and the oaky spices emerging to tingle at the edges of the tongue, preventing the whole from becoming cloying.
Finish:	Decent length. Chocolate and spices. Becomes quite peppery.
Comment:	Eminently drinkable. A cut above anything else I've tried at this price point. Well-made spirit, extremely well-balanced.

Diplomatico Reserva

Nose:	Rich and full, with golden syrup, Demerara and a hint of treacle. Some caramelised cooked fruit aromas. Reassuringly weighty oak in the background - polished mahogany notes. Hint of cinnamon, over-ripe oranges or orange liqueur and bitter dark chocolate.
Palate:	Rich, without being sickly. Amazingly smooth, gentle texture - like being stroked with a silk glove. Chocolate velvetiness on the palate, with the creamy oak spices emerging again (as with the Anejo) alongside some citrus notes to counteract the syrupy sweetness.
Finish:	A sweet cocoa caress, with shimmering spices.
Comment:	Extremely classy stuff, with each element of flavour crystal clear and yet perfectly integrated.

Diplomatico Reserva Exclusiva

Nose:	Big and complex, very characterful. Fruit cake, rum'n'raisin ice cream, cocoa, and some cake spices: dried ginger, cinnamon and clove. Baked bananas with fudge sauce. Highland Cream toffee bars. Toasty oak, vanilla and a deeper note of syrupy gingerbread, with hints of orange zest.
Palate:	Very chocolatey initially, like a chocolate sauce on dessert. Rich and full, bursting with the sweet toffee, fudge and tropical fruit flavours from the nose. The texture is very generous, rounded by the oak. Real mouthwatering depth of flavour here.
Finish:	Flakes of Terry's Dark Chocolate Orange sprinkled over melted vanilla ice cream.
Comment:	A seductive, sensual indulgent rum. Deep, vivid and extremely luxurious flavours. Amazingly opulent and sexy. The olfactory equivalent of a beautiful woman whispering dirty promises into your ear.



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