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# Bull Run Distillery

Oregon grain. A wider world of barrels.

An Oregon whiskey idea grows into a wide-ranging study of barrels. Bull Run connects Portland water and regional grain with wine-country casks, private selections and independent collaborators. [2,24]

**Established:** 2010. **Home:** Portland, with a separate Carlton tasting room. [2,4]



## A brewing idea becomes whiskey

The single-malt account starts with malted barley and a brewing collaboration. Warm ale-yeast fermentation deliberately builds fruity character; new oak then asks for patience as that fruit reappears. [3]

## People connect the disciplines

Founder Lee Medoff brings brewing and distilling experience. Jennifer Medoff develops hospitality and operations; the wider team carries the story into tasting rooms, design and barrel selections. [1]

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# From Oregon malt to new casks



**2010–2014** Bull Run begins, then develops its first wine-barrel finish with Cana’s Feast. [1,5]

**2018–2022** The Seelbach’s relationship begins; a nine-year Oregon Oak Single Malt later reaches the festival. [18,15]

**2023–2024** Madeira-finished malt meets coffee, while Cognac-finished bourbon showcases private selection. [16,17]

**2025** Older Pinot-finished whiskey and the Unipiper rye express two different collaborations. [18,19]

**2026** Vermouth/nocino blending and Malted Oath continue the experiments. [20,22]

# Read the place by its role

**Portland** is the working distillery. **Carlton** is a tasting room in wine country. [4] **Klamath barley and Willamette oats** meet through the separate producers behind Malted Oath. [22]

Selected milestones from the full 13-scene illustrated website. Art is symbolic.

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# Choose the grain. Read the cask.

**Different whiskey families.** Corn-led American whiskey uses former bourbon casks; the bourbon family has its own high-rye recipe and new-oak account. [7,9]

**Finish is specific.** Pinot wine, Cognac and Pinot brandy name different cask paths. Barrel-strength proofs and finishing times vary by release. [8,10,28]



**Two producers, one Oregon blend.** Malted Oath combines 25% thirteen-year Oregon Oak Single Malt and 75% six-year organic oat whiskey at 100 proof. [2] Stone Barn remains an independent Portland distillery. [25]

## Research notes & linked sources

Research checked October 18, 2026. Official bourbon proofs and Carlton Rye ages conflict across pages. Keep exact-batch evidence separate. No universal upstream distillery is inferred. Full research notes remain in the website.


[1] Team & founding
[2] Watershed & Malted Oath
[3] Single malt / process
[4] Portland & Carlton
[5] First wine finish /2014
[6] Custom barrels
[7] Corn-led American
[8] Pinot wine finish
[9] Bourbon recipe
[10] Cask strength bourbon
[11] Maple infusion
[12] Carlton Rye / page
[13] Bourbon / shop
[14] Portfolio /2021
[15] Oregon Oak /2022
[16] Madeira & coffee /2023
[17] Cognac selection /2024
[18] Seelbach’s picks /2025
[19] Unipiper /2025
[20] Stickmen blend /2026
[21] Nocino rye /2026
[22] Malted Oath grain
[23] Stone Barn partnership
[24] Wine partners /2025
[25] Stone Barn identity
[26] Whiskey Society
[27] Carlton Rye / shop
[28] Pinot brandy /2026