

STAR HILL FARM™ WHISKY 2026 *Release*







**Star Hill Farm™ Whisky**  
From the Maker's Mark Distillery

**2026**  
*Release*

A note from our founder.

At the Maker's Mark Distillery, we proudly continue to celebrate the gifts that Mother Nature provides with the second annual release of Star Hill Farm™ Whisky. It's a whisky where nature is the maker, a testament to the relationship between the land and the spirit.

We believe the vibrancy of a whisky is a direct reflection of the vibrancy of the earth. Star Hill Farm Whisky is not just a spirit; it is a liquid testament to the belief that nature, when championed, gives back in flavor what we give it in care.

The composition of this whisky evolves each year, exploring the unique flavors that soil, wheat, water and wood impart to quality ingredients when expertly blended, aged and grown regeneratively.

With our 2025 release honored as World's Best Wheat Whisky, we are delighted to present the 2026 release. Thoughtfully crafted for depth, structure and complexity, it builds on our signature soft red winter wheat and incorporates hard red and hard white wheat to demonstrate how wheat variety can shape exceptional flavor. Like the 2025 release, Star Hill Farm Whisky 2026 is Estate Whiskey certified by the Estate Whiskey Alliance (EWA).

Through Star Hill Farm Whisky, Maker' Mark is supporting the global adoption of regenerative agriculture by investing in farms supplying the hospitality industry through the Maker's Mark Regenerative Alliance. To date we have proudly supported 60,000 acres in regeneration with an additional 185,000 acres in progress for 2026.

This whisky is our gratitude in a bottle – a gift from the bounty nature bestows when we act as its stewards. We thank and welcome you to continue with us on this evolving journey.



Rob Samuels  
Founder, Star Hill Farm Whisky



Locally grown whisky,  
farmed to showcase the  
influence of our land.  
Nature as the maker.

STAR HILL  
FARM

2026 100% WHEAT  
45% Malted Wheat  
55% Malted Barley

AMERICAN WHEAT WHISKY

Distilled from locally sourced and harvested grain from 2025 and 2026.

95% ALC/VOL 116.4 PROOF 700 ML

## A WHISKY IN SEASON



**Rich, varied and crafted by the land  
with all the tools that nature wields.**

Our 2026 release builds on soft red winter wheat – the signature grain of the Maker’s Mark® mashbill – layered with hard red and hard white wheat to show how grain diversity deepens flavor from distillation through maturation and blending.

Crafted from a blend of 7- and 8-year-old whiskies, the result is a darker, richer aroma and a more complex profile with amplified fruit – proof that whisky tastes better when nature is treated with care.

The blend features 27% wheat, 62% malted wheat and 11% malted barley, crafted from two mashbills: one made entirely of malted wheat and another of 70% wheat and 30% malted barley. Three distinct wheats, brought together in a whisky that is both nuanced and beautifully balanced.

Learn more here:

[makersmark.com/whisky/star-hill-farm-whisky](https://makersmark.com/whisky/star-hill-farm-whisky)



locally grown whisky,  
farmed to showcase the  
richness of our land,  
nature as the maker.

STAR  HILL  
FARM

2026  
AMERICAN WHEAT WHISKY

40% alc/vol (80 proof) 750 ml

**MORE THAN WHISKY**

# Star Hill Farm & Regenerative Agriculture

At the Maker's Mark Distillery, we aren't just making whisky; we are restoring our land through regenerative agriculture practices. We are working in harmony with nature to build soil health, increase biodiversity, sequester carbon and do so much more.

In 2025, we launched the Maker's Mark Regenerative Alliance to help farmers make the shift to a better way of growing food. Instead of relying on conventional methods that can take more than they give, we support practices that restore the land, improve soil health and create a more sustainable future. These practices result in farming that's better for people and the planet – and produces more nutrient-rich, flavorful ingredients.

Every bottle of Star Hill Farm™ Whisky helps support something bigger. We're working with farmers across more than 60,000 acres – providing hands-on support, education and independent verification to measure the real impact of their efforts. We're also funding regenerative certification for their farms, giving customers greater transparency and traceability in where their food comes from.

Bartenders and chefs play a key role in driving this change. By choosing to source ingredients like produce, poultry and beef from farms committed to regenerative practices, they're helping shape a more sustainable future.

You can explore a growing list of these establishments on our page.

Know a farmer or bartender who should be part of the Alliance?

You can nominate them here:

[makersmark.com/story/regenerative-alliance-partners](https://makersmark.com/story/regenerative-alliance-partners)



 STAR HILL FARM™

# 2026

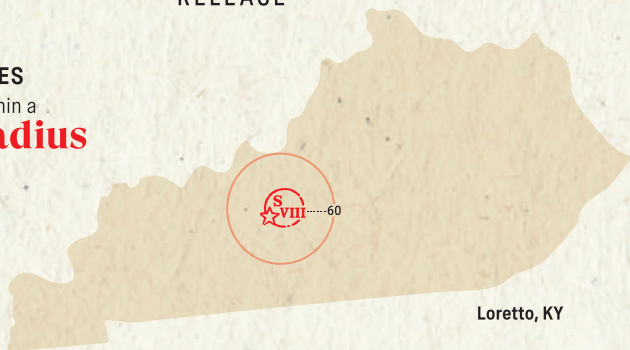
RELEASE

## GEO COORDINATES

Wheat harvested within a

**60-mile radius**

from the distillery



## MASHBILLS IN FINAL BLEND

Mashbill 1



Mashbill 2



## MILLING AND COOKING METHOD

Roller mill, 3-day fermentation



**DISTILLATION PROOF** 130



**BARREL ENTRY PROOF** 110

## BARREL FILL DATES

17H04 • 18C16 • 18J26 • 18J31 • 18L21

## BARREL CODE KEY

First 2 numbers = Year | Letter = Month | Last 2 numbers = Day  
(example, August 30, 2016, would be 16H30)

### 3 BARREL TYPES



**BARREL 1**  
Control Barrel



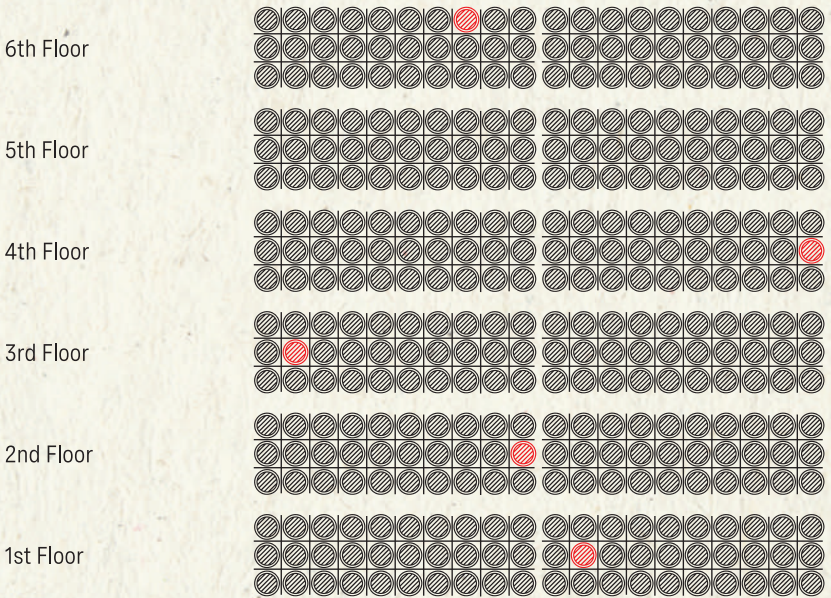
**BARREL 2**  
Experimental Barrel A



**BARREL 3**  
Experimental Barrel B

### WAREHOUSE INFORMATION

Contains a blend of whisky aged in 3 warehouses of various sizes and locations, across 5 floors.



### BARREL ROTATION

While Maker's Mark® barrels are rotated after three Kentucky summers for consistency, Star Hill Farm™ barrels remain where they are to let Mother Nature lead the maturation.

## NATURE-MADE WHISKY IN THE MAKING



### **STAR HILL FARM™** **FUTURE RELEASES**

The coming chapters of Star Hill Farm™ Whisky will be shaped by unique growing seasons and natural influences. Future releases will showcase the breadth of flavors you find when nature is the maker.

Take this flavor journey with us to experience next season's whisky.



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# Recognition of nature as the ultimate maker.



**World's Best Wheat Whisky**

2026 WORLD WHISKIES AWARDS



**Gold**

2025 INTERNATIONAL SPIRITS CHALLENGE



**Gold (98 points)**

2025 INTERNATIONAL WINE AND SPIRIT COMPETITION



**Gold (97 points)**

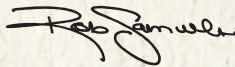
2025 LONDON SPIRITS COMPETITION



**Double Gold (97 points)**

2025 SAN FRANCISCO WORLD SPIRITS COMPETITION

“My grandparents built Maker’s Mark on the belief that when we invest in the land, it gives back in flavor. We are excited for what’s to come in 2026 and invite you to Star Hill Farm to experience and discover our homeplace.”

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Pat Samuel". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a prominent loop at the end.



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**WE MAKE OUR BOURBON CAREFULLY,  
PLEASE ENJOY IT THAT WAY.**

Star Hill Farm™ American Wheat Whisky, 58.2% Alc./Vol.,  
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