

Knob Creek Smoked Maple

45%

Booze candy from Beam? More like bacon in a glass: the sweet smokiness invaded my dining room (definitely the last tasting of the day). Richly smoky-sweet, with a clear balance of maple over corn; like a rustic breakfast of bacon, pancakes, and whiskey!

The maple's restrained and authentic, the 45% keeps it from being too sweet, and there's plenty of good bourbon flavor here, especially at the finish. Lush, tasty; if you have to do flavors, here's how.

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