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**CAORUNN GIN STRIKES GOLD
FOR ITS SCOTTISH RASPBERRY GIN AT PRESTIGIOUS, SCOTTISH GIN AWARDS**

In a blind taste test by 20 leading industry experts, small-batch, premium Scottish gin brand, Caorunn Gin has been awarded **gold**, for its *Scottish Raspberry Gin*, in the *Fruit Flavoured Gin of the Year category*, at the 2019 Scottish Gin Awards at a ceremony in Glasgow overnight.

An independent awards programme, celebrating innovation and excellence in Scottish gin distilling, Caorunn Gin competed against 65 other Scottish gin brands and 100 Scottish gins which were judged entirely on their taste profiles.

Caorunn's Scottish Raspberry Gin is expertly handcrafted with Perthshire raspberries at the Balmenach Distillery in the Scottish Highlands. Utilising Scotland's unique natural resources, Caorunn is infused to perfection in the world's only working Copper Berry Chamber.

Caorunn's distinctive aromatic flavour, created by infusing five locally foraged Celtic botanicals and six traditional gin botanicals in this Copper Berry Chamber, is perfectly complemented by the addition of sumptuous Perthshire raspberries. Caorunn Scottish Raspberry is also set apart by its clear colour, avoiding the use of any additives or colours to ensure an authentic and quality flavoured gin.

Caorunn Scottish Raspberry combines the invigorating dry, crisp taste of Caorunn enhanced by a natural raspberry sweetness and is best served with Fever Tree Indian Tonic Water, built over ice and garnished with fresh raspberries and red apple slices.

Celebrating its 10-year-anniversary this year, Caorunn says the **gold** award pays a timely homage to the brand's proud Scottish roots and the careful, attention-to-detail that goes into the creation of Caorunn Gin - handcrafted by Gin Master, Simon Buley - at Balmenach Distillery in the Scottish Highlands.

Simon says, *"It's a huge honour to pick up the gold award for our Scottish Raspberry Gin at this year's Scottish Gin Awards - particularly as we celebrate 10-years of proudly handcrafting Caorunn Gin. Every small-batch of Caorunn we make is created with pride, passion and attention-to-detail to produce an invigorating, fresh, full-bodied and unique product that gin-lovers can enjoy for many more years to come."*

In this year's Scottish Gin Awards, all four Caorunn Gin products were shortlisted across three different awards categories including: Caorunn Scottish Raspberry for 'Fruit Flavoured Gin of the Year', Caorunn Highland Strength for 'High Strength Gin of the Year', Caorunn Gin and Gin Master's Cut for 'London Dry Gin of the Year' and Balmenach Distillery for 'Scottish Gin Destination of the Year'.

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Notes to Editors

About Caorunn

Caorunn Gin is handcrafted infusing five locally foraged Celtic botanicals including dandelion, heather, coul blush apple, bog myrtle and rowan berries along with six traditional gin botanicals. Fresh and floral on the nose, this gin is clean, sweet, full-bodied and aromatic with a long-lasting dry and crisp finish.

Gin Master, Simon Buley, passionately handcrafts Caorunn in small batches in a unique Copper Berry Chamber. The round chamber contains four large trays on which the botanicals are spread and as the vapour passes through the trays it picks up the flavours of all the botanicals in a long, slow process. When it cools and returns to liquid, now gin, the botanical flavours are firmly embedded in the spirit.

The doors of their iconic Balmenach Distillery are open to the public, where visitors are invited to experience the distilling process first-hand. For more information on Caorunn and their Highland distillery, please visit: <https://www.caorunngin.com>

The collection includes the original and iconic Caorunn Small Batch Scottish Gin, Caorunn Scottish Raspberry, the latest installment to the range, Caorunn Highland Strength and Travel Retail Exclusive, Caorunn Gin Master's Cut.

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Scottish Gin Awards

Founded in 2016, the Scottish Gin Awards are an independent awards programme that celebrates innovation and excellence in gin distilling in Scotland. The independent competition is judged by a panel of experts drawn from across the sector, bringing together industry experience and market knowledge to recognise the greatest achievements in the Scottish gin industry.

The Scottish Gin Awards were held on Thursday 10 October at the DoubleTree by Hilton Hotel in Glasgow.