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**Bonhams Offers Rarest Single Malt Whisky at its 2011 Spring Auctions****Auction**

24 May at 5pm, in conjunction with the Fine and Rare Wines Auction

**Venue**

Island Ballroom, Island Shangri-La Hotel  
Admiralty  
Hong Kong

As the only auction house in Hong Kong that sells old and rare single malt whiskies, Bonhams continues to bring to aficionados in Asia some of the most prized single malt whiskies sourced from around the world at its Rarest Single Malt Whisky Auction on 23 May.

Enthusiastic bidding is anticipated for a pristine collection sourced directly from a Hong Kong collector. This offering consists of over 50 bottles of Macallan memorabilia whisky from 1963 to 1976, a bottle of Macallan Red Stripe 1938 and a special bottle of Macallan Royal Marriage. This bottle is a special vatting of spirit distilled in 1948 and 1961, respectively the year His Royal Highness, the Prince of Wales and the late Princess Diana were born, to commemorate their royal wedding in 1981. With another royal wedding taking place on 29 April 2011, this time of their son Prince William to Kate Middleton, this bottle of Macallan Royal Marriage is bound to generate much interest among whisky lovers as a memorabilia item.

Other equally rare and collectible whiskies include an ultimate collection of vertical vintages of Macallan-Glenlivet from 1935 to 1963, and a bottle of Glenfiddich 1964, a 40-year-old whisky bottled in an antique decanter. With only two bottles ever produced, this bottle offered at the auction is a real collector's treasure. Sought-after single malts from other renowned distilleries such as Highland Park and Glenfarclas are among the 50 lots offered with a total estimate of HK\$450,000.

**Highlight lots:**

BottleItem	Vintage		Low Est.	High Est.
1 bottle	Macallan Select Reserve	1946-52 year old	HK\$30,000	HK\$40,000
1 crystal decanter	Glenfiddich (Silver Seal)	1964-40 year old	HK\$18,000	HK\$24,000
1 bottle	Glenlivet (Gordon Macphail)	1945- 40 year old	HK\$5,500	HK\$7,500
1 bottle	Macallan Royal Marriage	1948 & 1961	HK\$7,000	HK9,000
1 bottle	Rosebank (Silver Seal)	1975-30 year old	HK\$6,000	HK\$8,000

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