

Welcome to the world of spirits investment

£150M+ AUM | 15 Years Track Record | 4.9/5 Investor Rating

Whisky cask investments are unregulated in the UK | The value of investments is variable and can go down as well as up | Fees apply and these are outlined in our terms and conditions | See full risks disclaimer on our website

VCL

About us

Since 2010, VCL Vintners has pioneered whisky cask investment, managing over £150 million in assets. Our 15-year track record is built on transparency, trust, and unmatched industry expertise.

4.9/5 ★★★★★
Rated excellent from 470+ reviews



Unrivalled investment access

Exclusive access to investment-grade casks from 50+ distilleries worldwide across Scotch, Irish Whiskey, Bourbon, and premium spirits, delivering best-in-class opportunities with strong return potential.

Record-setting reputation

In 2021, VCL brokered the \$2.3 million Macallan cask sale - setting a global auction record and demonstrating our position at the pinnacle of the rare spirits market.

24/7 Portfolio access

Our proprietary digital platform provides 24/7 portfolio access, real-time valuations, secure document management, and seamless transaction approval - all with bank-grade security.

How it works

Tangible asset ownership

By investing in a cask, you gain direct ownership of a physical, appreciating asset - mature Scotch whisky stored under bond in a secure warehouse.

Growth through maturation

As your whisky matures in the cask, both its quality and market value increase naturally over time, driven by scarcity and demand.

Effortless ownership

Enjoy an armchair investment experience, fully managed by VCL through our industry leading digital portal. Track performance, documents, and valuations anytime, anywhere.

Investment process

Level of capital & timeframe

Choose how much you would like to invest and over what period. We tailor the strategy to match your goals and desired returns.

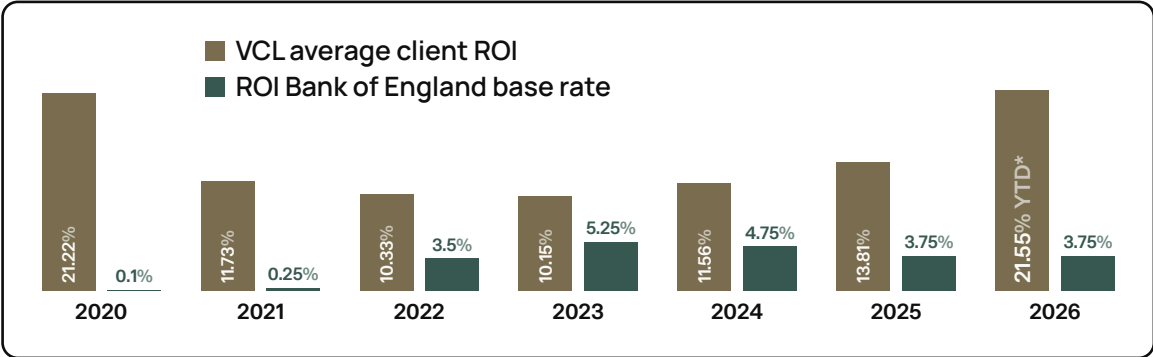
Tailor made recommendations

Based on your capital, timeframe, and investment preferences, our expert team will match you with casks that align with your investment profile.

Exit strategies

At the appropriate time, there are multiple routes you can explore: exits via network of private buyers, sell back to VCL, bottling, or through global auctions.

VCL client returns



2026 YTD*
Average annual ROI

21.55%

Highest ROI **42.21%**

2025
Average annual ROI

13.81%

Highest ROI **53.39%**

2024
Average annual ROI

11.56%

Highest ROI **29.36%**

2023
Average annual ROI

10.15%

Highest ROI **19.82%**

2022
Average annual ROI

10.33%

Highest ROI **40.44%**

2021
Average annual ROI

11.73%

Highest ROI **78.74%**

2020
Average annual ROI

21.22%

Highest ROI **35.08%**

*Runs until 9th February 2026

Why invest in casks

Truly hands off

Whisky casks are a medium-long term investment, simply maturing and appreciating in value.

High performing asset

Whisky casks have the potential to provide diversification and performance to a balanced investment portfolio.

Tax efficiency

Cask whisky is a tax-efficient asset for UK investors, with profits often exempt from Capital Gains Tax due to its classification as a wasting asset, making it a strategic addition to a diversified portfolio.

Investment-led

Whisky is not just a consumable product. It is a time-proven asset class with global appeal, making it an increasingly popular alternative investment.

Client case studies

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| Client name: | Graham B. |
| Purchase date: | August 2019 |
| Purchased: | Linkwood 2009 |
| Purchase price: | £3,837.79 |
| Date exited: | November 2025 |
| Exited price: | £6,102.44 |
| Total ROI: | 59% |
| Annual ROI: | 9.44% p.a. |

Graham's review:

After discussions with Tommy and Shane a cask was selected for sale and proceeds in bank two days after signing buy back. A good return for a cask I had held for 6 years.

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| Client name: | Fiona S. |
| Purchase date: | April 2020 |
| Purchased: | Glenrothes 2015 |
| Purchase price: | £6,574.92 |
| Date exited: | March 2025 |
| Exited price: | £9,467.92 |
| Total ROI: | 44% |
| Annual ROI: | 8.95% p.a. |

Fiona's review:

I have been an investor since 2020 and feel more confident in cask investment rather than stocks and shares. From making my initial enquiry and subsequent investments, I can only commend staff on their professionalism, knowledge and expertise in particular Tommy Major and his PA Martha Ellis. I recently sold a cask and was very pleased with my return on investment.

Managed ownership

Our most popular ownership option, ideal for those new to cask investment or simply looking for a hands-off experience, we take care of everything from insurance and storage to HMRC compliance.

M&G trustees

- A record of all cask ownership details are securely held in escrow by M&G Trustees, providing an added layer of protection and oversight.
- Ensures ownership is independently verified and safeguarded.

Digital deeds

- Proof 8, a VCL sister company, manages the entire lifecycle of casks from grain to bottle.
- From filling to maturation, all records are digitally tracked & authenticated.
- Digital Deeds ensure full transparency and traceability of your investment as an additional layer.

Private ownership

For clients who want full, direct control over their cask investment. Take full responsibility of your cask through a Delivery Order, transferred directly into your name and no longer under VCL's management.

Documented ownership

- You'll receive a warehouse-issued confirmation letter including the cask number, distillery, and year of distillation.
- This documentation acts as your title deed - legally verifying that you are the sole owner of the asset.

Support, if you need it

- We assist in opening a private account in your name and transfer the cask directly to you.
- While you retain full control, our team can be on hand to assist where needed.

Your portfolio, at your fingertips

Monitor your casks in real time with our secure client portal.

Track valuations, manage holdings, and stay informed throughout your investment journey with complete transparency and control at every step.

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