



Cashel Palace Hotel Launches Bespoke Whiskey, and Invites Guests to Explore Ireland's Golden Vale Through New Culinary and Spirit Experiences



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(Tipperary, Ireland) February 4, 2026: [Cashel Palace](#) is proud to announce the next chapter of its drinks story: the launch of a Three-Year-Old Irish Pot Still Whiskey. For decades, the world's finest hotels have used the kitchen to express a sense of place, cultivating expansive gardens and crafting menus from traditional, local ingredients. Today, that same philosophy is being applied to the bar. As a growing movement in luxury hospitality sees hotels move beyond curated cocktail programs to create their own labeled spirits, Cashel Palace's new bespoke whiskey tells the story of County Tipperary's history and agricultural heritage.

Building on the successful debut of the 1732 Cashel Palace Gin, this second collaboration with [Tipperary Boutique Distillery](#) represents a new era of the hotel's cultural identity. By developing bespoke spirits, the palace offers guests a more immersive connection to the region through taste, designed to pair perfectly with the hotel's Michelin-starred excellence.

A House Whiskey, Born of Tipperary

The Cashel Palace Three Year Old Irish Pot Still-Whiskey is a limited Irish whiskey created through an exceptional collaboration with two names that define the country:

- Coolmore Farms — homegrown Tipperary barley, grown and harvested in the lands that surround the Rock of Cashel and sent to...
- Tipperary Boutique Distillery — artisans in modern Irish distilling, who have distilled and aged the whiskey under the stewardship of owner Jennifer Nickerson.

[Coolmore Farms'](#) involvement brings a rare agricultural provenance to the whiskey, with barley grown on land internationally renowned for its richness and care. Tipperary Boutique Distillery, meanwhile, brings distilling expertise rooted in tradition, patience and precision. Cashel Palace Hotel completes the partnership, curating the vision and offering a setting where heritage, refinement and modern Irish luxury coexist.

"The project reflects a shared philosophy between all three partners", says Adriaan Bartel, Cashel Palace's General Manager. "It conveys the mutual respect for land, time-honoured craft and an uncompromising commitment to quality. From field to glass, every stage of production has been guided by a desire to create something authentic, expressive and deeply connected to Tipperary - and it tastes great too!"

Matured in first-fill Oloroso sherry casks, the whiskey presents a deep amber hue. The notes reveal rich aromas of dried fruit, dark chocolate, figs, toffee and warm spice — a spirit designed not only for tasting, but for remembering.

Cashel Palace 1732 Gin

The Cashel Palace is a luxury hotel with gardens overlooked by the Rock of Cashel in Tipperary. Built in 1732 for the archbishop, it is a Grade I Listed building and was one of the grandest examples of Palladian architecture at the time. The hotel strives to bring their locally sourced ethos across all details, including the drinks served. Teaming up with the neighbouring Tipperary Boutique Distillery, they developed a gin using local ingredients subtly infused with mulwberries, a nod to the mulberry trees planted in the garden in 1702.

The design takes its cues from the library and the literary heritage of the location. Religious iconography connects back to the original residents, and the typeface designed in the 1700s, helped further root the aesthetic to that era.

A Curated Culinary Experience:

To celebrate the launch, Cashel Palace has integrated its spirits exclusively at Cashel Palace Hotel and its sister properties, ensuring guests experience a diverse culinary portfolio paired perfectly with the new pours:

- [The Bishop's Buttery](#): The Michelin-starred restaurant located in the historic cellars of Cashel Palace, offering a contemporary twist on traditional Irish cuisine.
- [Mikey Ryans Bar & Kitchen](#): The hotel's sister property provides an authentic pub experience in the small town of Cashel. Guests can enjoy locally sourced meals and private dining, complete with exclusive Cashel Palace spirits.

- [Sadlers Restaurant & Bar](#): The premier dining destination in Fethard, offering locally sourced cuisine and vibrant events in a traditional, social Irish setting.
- [Donoghue's Irish Pub](#): A traditional Irish pub in the heart of Cashel, known for its friendly atmosphere, live music, and authentic Irish experience.

Cashel Palace also offers a plethora of experiences for guests who wish to dive deeper into the craft:

Private Wine Tastings

Wine is an essential thread in the dining tapestry of The Bishop's Buttery, each bottle selected to echo the season, complement the plate, and elevate the overall experience. Under the expert guidance of Head Sommelier Farrah Scanlan, our wine programme blends heritage with curiosity, featuring an extensive cellar of exceptional Old and New World labels.

Guests enjoying either our table d'hôte or tasting menu are invited to choose from three expertly curated wine pairings or for those wishing to explore wine more intimately, private wine tastings are available by appointment and may be tailored to your preferences or occasion:

- Sensory Experience: An approachable introduction to the traits of wine explaining the acidity, structure, aroma, mouthfeel and more.
- Old World vs. New World: A global journey through style and terroir, from Bordeaux to Napa, the Loire Valley to Marlborough.
- Your Preference, Our Pleasure: A bespoke tasting built around your favourite varietals, regions or themes, drawn from our extensive cellar.

Beyond the Palace: A Tipperary Craft Trail

For guests who wish to explore further, Cashel Palace becomes the perfect starting point for a refined Tipperary drinks journey — one that pairs beautifully with heritage excursions, equine experiences and long summer lunches.

Highlights of drinks specific tours can include:

- Distillery Experience with Tipperary Boutique Distillery
- Craft Beer Tasting with Whitefield Brewery
- Private Craft Beer Tasting /Cocktail Experience with Head Mixologist at Cashel Palace.

Rates start at €365 euros per night. For further information, visit <https://www.cashelpalacehotel.ie/>

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About Cashel Palace:

Set within a magnificent Palladian manor, built in 1732, Cashel Palace has been meticulously restored to create a truly desirable destination hotel in the heart of Ireland and opened its doors in March 2022. Optimally located between town and countryside, the five-star property epitomizes the finest of Irish hospitality set in the shadow of the iconic Rock of Cashel in Tipperary. A proud Relais & Chateaux member, Cashel Palace's dining offering delivers a deep connection to the local Golden Vale. In 2023, Cashel Palace was awarded Best Hotel and Guesthouse Restaurant for the Bishop's Buttery in the Irish

Restaurant Awards, and in 2024, the Bishop's Buttery proudly received a Michelin Star. Cashel Palace Hotel is one of the inaugural recipients in Ireland to receive Two Michelin Keys for 'Exceptional Stays' while being recognized in Conde Nast Traveler's Hot List and Travel + Leisure's It List. For more information, visit cashelpalacehotel.ie.

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