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TOTC 2014 – Tastings – Plantation Pineapple Rum, Appleton Rum Brunch and Bulleit New Fashioned!



Pineapple Rum Stiggin's Fancy - Picture Laura Godel

Plantation Rum in Shades of Dark, White and Pineapple!

I was waiting with great excitement for the tasting and launch of the Pineapple Rum Stiggin's Fancy by Plantation Rum – which I need to make it clear right away, is NOT for sale.....because this rum was an experiment by Alexandre Gabriel and David Wondrich....to be launched and tasted at the Tales of the Cocktail....

Well....I was not disappointed, the rum was delicious! with a deep well matured and slightly smoky pineapple flavor in the background of Plantation rums original dark rum. And the bottle is beautiful!! I asked Alexandre what made the flavor so deep and he told me it's coming from that the pineapple skin has been distilled – together with pineapple fruit, which also has been macerated.

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The queue....a nightmare for anyone with a hangover....luckily I was not...and don't mind all the yellow hats....it's a Tales thing....

Yep the queue to the tasting room was pure madness and the warm air stood still, but eventually we got in there....and deliciousness awaited...







Plantation rums, pineapple, white and dark as shots and in daiquiri cocktails...









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Here served by Rocky - appropriately painted....I don't know how he does it, but Rocky really is everywhere...







Yours truly with pineapple rum in hand, Alexandre Gabriel – Cognac Ferrand proprietor and spirits mastermind – and more delicious pineapple rum!





The DTO – Daiquiri Time Out coin, a treasure/token that was handed out, and which a certain man did drop inside a cab and had the entire cab floor torn up to find it...wherewith the cab driver in utter amazement said that this gotta be a very valuable coin.....

But there's more to the coin than just a token for the fun of it, according to what I've heard, navy officers carried a special coin. When drinking, everyone showed their crew coin. If one person did not have their coin, they had to buy a round of drinks. This gave value to the coin and the tradition.

Now I have one wish....that plantation rum makes more of this fine pineapple rum....I could make use of a bottle...launching a delicious rum like this only for the Tales is really a teaser...!