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whisky [whisky whiskies] (BrE) (US, IrishE whis·key)BrE ['wɪski] *NAmE* ['wɪski] noun (pl. whis·kies, whis·keys)

1. uncountable, countable a strong alcoholic drink made from [†]malted grain. It is sometimes drunk with water and/or ice

- a bottle of whisky
- Scotch whisky
- highland whiskies

see also [†]bourbon, [†]Scotch

2. countable a glass of whisky

- a whisky and soda
- Two whiskies, please.

see also [†]Scotch

Word Origin:

early 18th cent.: abbreviation of obsolete whiskybae, variant of usquebaugh 'whisky'.

Culture:

Whisky made in Scotland, often called 'Scotch', is made mostly from [†]barley and is usually sold as a **blend** (= mixture) of several types. A more expensive type of Scotch whisky is **single malt**, made in the [†]Highlands from a single type of grain. Many people drink whisky mixed with water, **soda water** or **soft drinks** (= drinks containing no alcohol) such as **ginger ale** or cola, while others prefer to drink it with nothing added, or with ice (called **on the rocks**). **Whiskey** is the usual spelling for the drink made in Ireland and the US.

See also **†bourbon**

Example Bank:

- He added a dash of whisky to his coffee.
- · He had a whisky on the rocks.
- He ordered a beer with a whisky chaser.
- I'll have my whisky straight, please.
- She poured herself a large tot of whisky.
- a fine malt whisky
- a large measure of whisky
- a neat whisky
- the art of distilling whisky

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whis ky S3 BrE AmE British English (also whiskey especially American English) /'wɪski/ noun (plural whiskies or whiskeys) [uncountable and countable]

[Date: 1700-1800; Language: Irish Gaelic; Origin: uisce beathadh and Scottish Gaelic uisge beatha 'water of life'] a strong alcoholic drink made from grain, or a glass of this

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