

2019 Bourbon Month info for employees:

Dates: Friday, Feb 1st – Thursday, February 28th

Fri 2/1: Barrel Event at Caves

Sat 2/2: Bottle release and brunch (brunch at B15 pub and at Caves, public release at TR)

**Mug/Employees bottles will be available at the TAPROOM on Friday 2/1. The public release will be at the TAPROOM on Saturday 2/2 post-brunch at 11 (yes, the Taproom will open early!)

Tues 2/12: 4 Spirits OSU Veteran's Scholarship Fundraiser (tasting and dine out): Dine out is all day at the pub with 10% of beer, wine, and cocktail sales going to the cause, and the 4 Spirits staff will be at the downtown pub from 6-9pm to sample their products.

Mon 2/18: Bourbon Dinner at Caves: 6pm, reservation required

Sun 2/24: Bourbon Ice Cream Social at Caves from 3-5pm. We will have awesome bourbon-inspired house-made ice cream paired with delicious snacks and selected bourbon.

Thurs 2/28: Last day to complete passport—passports must be in by the end of the day!

Bourbon Month 2019 (also our 10th Annual Bourbon Month woot!) kicks off on Friday, February 1st! We have 16 hand-picked rare or specialty bourbons and whiskeys to offer, as well as an awesome blind tasting flight available exclusively at Caves (new addition this year). In years prior, we have required guests to purchase all bourbon selections to complete. However, **this year we are requiring guests to enjoy 14 out of the 17+ bourbon offerings as well as the draft selections on the passport for completion.** We will also be featuring bourbon barrel aged beers, a bourbon barrel aged cider, bourbon cocktails, and food specials full of bourbon deliciousness. Continuing the tradition of the past couple of years, we will also be featuring a special bourbon each week, beginning on Feb 4th then every Monday after-- this will be a one bottle offering, available until it is gone. See the February specials info packet for the whole rundown (coming soon!).

We offer many serving variations for the bourbons - neat, with a distilled H2O ice cube, with a couple drops of distilled water, or in a cocktail -Manhattan, Old Fashioned, Blood Orange Bourbon-tini, and Evening in Missoula. Most bourbons will be served in the standard 1.5oz pour, but some will be 1oz. pours. Pour sizes will be listed on the menu, and on the buttons in the POS as well, with the 1oz. pours in a different color than the 1.5oz. pours.

Caves will also be featuring a barrel aged Manhattan, which will not be required on the passport, but is an awesome and unique cocktail! Another Caves exclusive addition to the passport this year is a blind tasting flight of three awesome bourbons (1/2oz. pours of each): Old Rip Van Winkle 10 Year, Blade & Bow, and Old Weller Antique. The flight will be completely blind so that the guest can taste each bourbon and make their guess as to which one is which.

As in previous years, we will be offering the Bourbon Passport. With the passport guests can take notes on their favorites, and completion of the passport (to complete, guest must collect stamps for fourteen bourbons and three bourbon draft selections) will earn the guest an invitation to an exclusive bourbon gathering with a special tasting, raffle, and exclusive Bourbon Month T-shirt. Passports are free to fill out - guests just pay for what they order ****note: guests cannot share a passport--meaning two people can share bourbons or beers, but only one passport will be stamped.** Passports can be stamped and initialed by any employee, but if you are new to Bourbon Month and have any questions or need any guidance, please don't hesitate to reach out to another employee! We can store these at the bar or they can take them, but they **must be at Block on February 28th to be counted!**

On Saturday, February 2nd we will be releasing bottles of Super Nebula, Kriek, two Super Nebula variations and the DAB Lab Juice Joint in cans. This year's variations of Super Nebula are:

Breakfast with Roses – Imperial Stout Brewed with Maple Syrup, matured in bourbon barrels, and conditioned on cocoa nibs and coffee beans.

Double Chocolate Hazelnut – Imperial Stout matured in bourbon barrels and conditioned on cocoa nibs, chocolate, and hazelnut.

We are also hosting a brunch at the downtown pub and Caves. Brunch reservation info is at Block15.com/brunch.

Doors will open to the public AT THE TAPROOM at 11am, but we will be opening our doors at 9:30am, so guests can arrive early and hang out over complimentary hot coffee and donuts from NutCakes, some killer food specials, and our release beers on tap. (We'll issue a number to guests when they arrive, so they can mingle before the release without losing their spot in line.)

We will also be hosting our annual Bourbon Dinner at Caves on Monday, February 18th at 6pm – reservations required.

On Tuesday, February 12th Block 15 will donate 10% of beer, wine, and cocktail sales to the 4 Spirits OSU Veteran's Scholarship fund. The folks from 4 Spirits will be sampling out their delicious bourbon whiskey from 6-9pm.

The Bourbon Ice Cream Social will take place at Caves from 3-5pm on Sunday, February 24th. We will have awesome bourbon-inspired house-made ice cream paired with delicious snacks and selected bourbon. The full menu will be finalized this week, so keep your eyes peeled for more information in next week's newsletter!

As always, please encourage guests to sign up for our free newsletter on our website - it's the best way to keep updated on upcoming events. Are you thirsty yet?

Beers Listed on Passport

Super Nebula, Bourbon Barrel Aged Imperial Stout

Kriek, A Spontaneous Cuvee

Blind Tiger, Bourbon Barrel Aged Cider

*Blended exclusively for Block 15 by Wandering Aengus

Ciderworks

Weekly Selections

Monday 2/4 - Michter's Toasted Barrel

Monday 2/11 – Knob Creek 2001

Monday 2/18 - Hillrock Solera

Monday 2/25 – Little Book

Bourbons Listed on Passport

Blood Oath Pact 4
George T. Stagg
Elmer T. Lee Single Barrel Sour Mash
Rockhill Farms
Joseph Magnus
Rhetoric 24 Year
Elijah Craig Single Barrel, Barrel Proof
Jefferson's Old Rum Cask
Four Roses Single Barrel, Barrel Strength
Michter's Straight Rye <i>** also available at Caves</i>
Jefferson's Ocean, Voyage 16
Elijah Craig B15 Barrel Select
Buffalo Trace B15 Barrel Select
Stranahan's Colorado Whiskey
Yellow Stone Select
Woodford Master's Collection Oat Grain <i>** Caves Exclusive</i>
Blind Bourbon Flight <i>** Caves Exclusive. Features Old Weller Antique, Old Rip Van Winkle 10 Year, and Blade & Bow</i>