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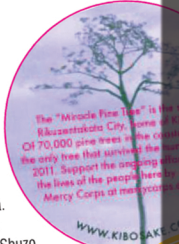


### MICHTER'S NEW WHISKEY TWIST: BARRELS TOASTED, NOT CHARRED

The latest whiskey from Michter's, US\*1 **Toasted Barrel Finish Bourbon**, is made the exact same way as the distiller's US\*1 Bourbon—with one important difference. After being aged in custom barrels made from staves that have been air-dried for 18 months and toasted, but not charred like typical bourbon barrels. Weighing in at 91 proof (45.7% ABV), the limited release joins Michter's portfolio of specialized American whiskeys. SRP \$48 [michters.com](http://michters.com)

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