Equipment and Samples List

Tasting spirits at Level 2

Although all practical activities are optional, we recommend taking part to get the most from the course. However, we understand that in some circumstances procuring all the items will not be possible. If you are struggling to source any of the spirits on this list, we highly recommend visiting your local spirits specialist or liquor store as they will be able to recommend the correct bottles to suit the styles. Here is a list of all the items you will need throughout the course and the activity where they will be required:

All modules

- A glass for each sample
- A printed copy of the course tasting mat
- A spittoon or jug
- A glass of drinking water
- A copy of the SAT visible
- A copy of the blank SAT template and/or notepad for making your own tasting notes

Module 2

- Cognac or Armagnac
- Single Malt Scotch Whisky
- Bourbon or Tennessee Whiskey

Module 3

- Tequila (preferably 100% agave) blanco or reposado
- A colourless rum
- An oak-aged high-quality rum

Module 4

- Neutral style of vodka
- Characterful style of vodka
- London Dry Gin
- An aniseed spirit or a bitter or a liqueur