

# MOSGAARD

# Mosgaard Whisky

- Organic distillery founded in 2015 by Gitte and Jes Mosgaard
- Production of organic Gin and Whisky
- 25 years experience with natural science
- Experience from Audio industry and product development
- Common interest in human senses
- Entrepreneurs behind several start ups





## Creating new buisness

- Co-founder of Danish audio company Libratone
- When creating new businesses you have to find a hole in the market – new user trends etc.
- For Libratone it was the introduction of the iPhone freedom in moving around listening to music with the source with you.





#### New trends in spirits

- For years we have seen organic products picking up in beer and wine – but not spirits
- No products in the market no demand ....
- Interest for local products are rising
- Story telling is extremely important for local products
- Super Premium product market is rising
- You have to break free and create a Blue Ocean







## Always throw yourself into a rising market

- Super Premium Gin marked is getting hot
- Super premium MS 3-5% rising
- Premium MS 20-22% steady
- Standard MS 40-45% falling
- Private label MS 28-37% falling
- Gin growth last 5 years 150%
- Prediction for the next 5 years 50-100%





# Product Strategy

- Premium quality products
- Clean and pure in taste
- Organic production (to achieve 1+2)
- New appealing interpretations of classical Gin style
- Hit new market segments and new customers with friendly taste
- Whisky with a taste profile of the island of FYN







# Whisky Production

- Organic Danish malt as base
- Distillery is designed ground up
- Inspired by Scottish methods with new scientific approach to design taste
- Taste is clean, soft and fruity
- Water, malt and methods does matter
- 100% organic production is fundamental to taste – there is a difference!







# Whisky Cask strategy

- All casks are built to purpose
- Ex Oloroso, PX, Port, Bourbon
- Production size 50 liters gives sweeter taste – but higher cost
- Own production of casks with selected wood, charring and matured with our own organic Sherry blend (Palo Cortado)
- Don't jump the fence!





## **Gin Production**

- Based on organic wheat alcohol
- Hybrid construction kettles same taste profile as our whisky
- 100% organic production
- Fresh lime, lemons, grapes, oranges etc.
- Juniper is the dominant botanical
- Free play for the rest used for bringing balance in the product, important for our story and product differentiation





# Challenges in Organic Gin production

- Rules are not the same in EU
- Local ingredients is a challenge
- Juniper can not be picked in nature in Denmark and declared organic
- In Macedonica and Greece it is allowed, and they can be declared organic
- So the product exists and we must buy it from Southern Europe
- Does this make any sense?

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## Rules for Organic food production in DK

- 5% volume of the ingredients can be non- organic
- But only if the ingredient can not be found anywhere in the world as organic (even in China!)
- Proof of non-existence is on the producer
- Gathering from nature can be allowed in these exceptions if we can proof the land we gather botanicals from are not "polluted" (beaches, state forests or national parks)
- Exceptions shall be applied for and approved case by case by the Danish veterinary and food administration



#### **Documentation and Control**

- Full traceability is needed, lot numbers on all products
- Recipes and storage movement updated every day
- All suppliers must be approved for organic production or handling (only wholesale suppliers)
- Updated certificates from suppliers is requested annually
- Control and check bi-annually to annually by Danish veterinary and food administration



## Is it worth it?

- Restriction to local ingredients
- Lots of extra administrative work
- Higher cost price same sales out
- YES!
- It gives is better products (not healthier)
- Our products stands out in the crowd
- Demand is rising bars, hotels, festivals
- It is easier to run 100% organic to avoid cross pollution





# Danish Organic spirits in export

- Which Organic logo is better?
- EU requires EU Logo to be organic
- Danish Logo is a "trademark" and better exotic add-on
- Use "Organic" or "Biological" depending on market
- China alone has more than 20 different Organic approval authorities, so better to use something completely different
- Create statements and Trademarks easy explanation and good press coverage









# Dry Gin

- Spicy and fresh citrus taste a classic GT gin
- Botanicals juniper, liquorice root, seeds of anis, cloves, pepper, seeds of coriander, lemon grass
- Citrus fresh lime, lemon and oranges
- Garniture mint leaves, basil, lemon verbena





## **Tangerine Gin**

- Sweet and floral taste
- Botanicals juniper, liquorice root, seeds of anis, cloves, rose pepper, seeds of coriander
- Citrus fresh mandarins and lime
- Garniture rosmary





## Oak aged Cask Gin

- The single malt of Gins
- Matured in ex. Bourbon and Ex. Pedro Ximenez Sherry casks
- Notes fresh citrus, vanilla, figs and honey
- Enjoy neat in a good whisky glass





## GinGin

- Powerfull Gin cold mouth feeling with double Juniper – 46%
- Botanicals juniper, seeds of fennel, seeds of anis, cloves, Indonesian long pepper, seeds of coriander, lemon grass
- Citrus fresh lime and lemons
- Garniture mint leaves, basil, lemon verbena





## Red Love Gin

- Sweet and sour with apple notes
- Botanicals juniper, liquorice root, seeds of anis, cloves, pepper, seeds of coriander, lemon grass
- Citrus fresh lime, lemon and oranges
- Garniture fresh pommes de granate
- Infused with Red Love apple juice which gives it a nice acidity





# Filippa Gin

- Creamy and sweet apple gin
- Botanicals juniper, liquorice root, seeds of anis, cloves, pepper, seeds of coriander, lemon grass
- Citrus fresh lime, lemon and oranges
- Garniture fresh thyme
- Macerated with the historical Danish Filippa apple





## Young Malt

- Single Malt from Fyn, sweet and fruity
- The water from Fyn ads softness
- Matured in small Ex. Bourbon casks
- Cask finish in Ex. PX Sherry casks
- Notes of pears, apples, citrus, caramel, almonds, dried fruits, burned figs and leather
- Organic malt from national park Thy





#### Peated Young Malt

- Single Malt from Fyn, smoky!
- The water from Fyn ads softness
- Matured in small Ex. Bourbon casks
- Malt is smokes over peat
- Notes of citrus, caramel, almonds vanilla, peat, tar and leather





