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THE CIGAR REVIEW

OLIVEROS KING HAVANO OSCURO Monarch



ORIGIN: Nicaragua MAKER: Habana Cuba Cigar Co. FILLER: Nicaragua BINDER: Nicaragua WRAPPER: Nicaragua PRICE: \$5.50

DIMENSIONS (6 X 54)	PANELIST # 1	PANELIST # 2	PANELIST # 3	PANELIST # 4
AESTHETICS	A dark, almost chocolate-colored cigar with a bit of shine to it.	A bumpy, but oily and soft wrapper on this rather dark stick.	A nice and oily sheen on this dark chocolate colored cigar wrapper.	This cigar had a few large veins on its very dark and oily wrapper.
CONSTRUCTION	This stick was solidly packed all throughout. It had no soft spots and the draw was easy.	This smoke burned fairly quick and gave up some thick white smoke and a solid and firm ash.	The roll on this cigar was seamless, and it had a great burn line that gave up a dark and firm ash.	This stick is well rolled from head to foot. The burn was even all the way and the ash held firm as well.
FLAVOR AND STRENGTH	This was medium- to full-bodied smoke that had notes of coffee as well as notes of dark chocolate.	In a single word, tasty. A whole bouquet of complementary tastes are to be found in this solid cigar.	Chocolate, spice, cedar, sweetness, all present in this cigar, and none of them were overpowering.	This cigar starts off with vanilla notes followed quickly by a nice hit of spice and black pepper.
GENERAL COMMENTS	This is a nice cigar to pair with a post-dinner cup of coffee with its great soft dark chocolate finish. 9.3 EXCELLENT	You know it's a good cigar when it doesn't fit the profile of what you usually prefer, but you still like it. 9.1 EXCELLENT	Great after dinner, and complements a strong cup of black vanilla coffee like nothing else around. 9.3 EXCELLENT	A great cigar. There's something in this stick that everyone, new or experienced, can really get in to. 8.8 VERY GOOD

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Excellent Rating

"In a single word, TASTY"

CUSANO HABANO LXI Toro Gordo



ORIGIN: Dominican Republic MAKER: Cusano Cigars FILLER: Dominican Republic BINDER: Dom. Republic WRAPPER: Dom. Republic PRICE: \$5.50

DIMENSIONS (6 X 54)	PANELIST # 1	PANELIST # 2	PANELIST # 3	PANELIST # 4
AESTHETICS	A dark brown wrapper with reddish tint on this good lookin' cigar.	This cigar looks well-rolled, with surface oils glistening in the light.	This toro has the look of smooth, brown leather with a few veins	Some tiny veins and nice round caps to be found on this cigar.
CONSTRUCTION	Well filled and firm without a soft spot to be seen. This stick has a perfect draw and clean white ash.	This cigar has a sweet tobacco aroma. It produces loads of smoke and is very firmly packed.	A bit of give when I pressed this stick. It had a very good draw with the right amount of resistance.	The burn on this one stayed fairly even with only a little correction needed and the ash held tight.
FLAVOR AND STRENGTH	Though medium- to full-bodied in strength, this was a very smooth-tasting and smoking cigar.	Full of espresso, brown sugar, and cinnamon spice with a woody, hickory- and charcoal-like finish.	The smoke that was produced had very creamy feel, and offered up a sweet aroma while I smoked.	This stick was full of soft flavors. Espresso and a cinnamon-like spiciness were nicely highlighted.
GENERAL COMMENTS	This cigar is a solid performer. It goes great with an Italian espresso and a steak dinner. 9.1 EXCELLENT	Although this cigar is not complex, none the less, it is a consistent and pretty tasty stick. 9.0 VERY GOOD	This stick goes equally well with a mellow bourbon as it does with fine a cup of Kenya AA coffee. 9.0 VERY GOOD	I'd recommend this to a smoker who has just started—it's tasty and never overpowers your senses. 9.0 VERY GOOD

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SANCHO PANZA Non Plus



ORIGIN: Cuba MAKER: Habanos S.A. FILLER: Cuba BINDER: Cuba WRAPPER: Cuba PRICE: N/A

DIMENSIONS (5 X 52)	PANELIST # 1	PANELIST # 2	PANELIST # 3	PANELIST # 4
AESTHETICS	The wrapper on this cigar has a golden-brown color and no veins.	This is one good-looking cigar with a really smooth wrapper.	There are next to no veins visible on this cigar's soft brown wrapper.	This tan-brown wrapper has no veins and is smooth to the touch.
CONSTRUCTION	Though on the smaller side, this cigar's got some nicely-balanced weight when it's held in the hand.	A firm stick with an even burn that was consistent all the way down from the head to the foot.	This cigar has an even burn as well as a smooth draw that help to give up a firm and solid ash.	This stick passes the pinch test with ease. Well rolled, the draw is easy and the ash holds tight.
FLAVOR AND STRENGTH	This stick is full of sweet, as well as woody notes, all over a medium-bodied fine tobacco taste.	Medium bodied overall, this cigar's got lots of sweetness to it and a rather pleasing aftertaste.	There are tons of sweet and woody, could be cedar-like flavors in this nice medium-bodied cigar.	A plethora of sweet notes all bound with coffee, vanilla, and wood notes and aged tobacco.
GENERAL COMMENTS	This isn't my favorite kind of cigar, but I think it'd be a good one for a beginner who wants to learn more. 8.8 VERY GOOD	I'd recommend this to those smokers who are looking to step their game up with something new. 9.1 EXCELLENT	I like my cigars to have more spice than sweetness. If you like sweet, then this is for you. 8.8 VERY GOOD	This is a decent stick that went surprisingly well with anything from soda to a single malt whisky. 8.9 VERY GOOD

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