



Cigar selection as rated by:

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CIGAR AFICIONADOS'S 100 POINT SCALE

- 95-100 Classic
- 90-94 Outstanding
- 80-89 Very good to Excellent
- 70-79 Average commercial quality
- 0-70 Don't waste your money

Cigars with red lettered description have been named to Cigar Aficionado's "Top 25 Cigars in the World", Cuban cigars included!



DOMINICAN REPUBLIC
RING GAUGE: 47 LENGTH: 6"
FILLER: DOM. REP.
BINDER: DOM. REP.
WRAPPER: ECUADOR

ARTURO FUENTE FLOR FINA 8-5-8
The cigar is a bit dull in appearance but draws and burns evenly, offering a lot of sweet woody flavors that are balanced and consistent. A tasty smoke.

89



DOMINICAN REPUBLIC
RING GAUGE: 50 LENGTH: 7"
FILLER: DOM. REP.
BINDER: DOM. REP.
WRAPPER: U.S.A./CONN. SHADE

FLOR DE OLIVA GOLD CHURCHILL
An attractive cigar with an oily wrapper. It burns well with a white ash. It's creamy with some cocoa notes and a bready finish.

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DOMINICAN REPUBLIC
RING GAUGE: 52 LENGTH: 5 3/4"
FILLER: DOM. REP.
BINDER: DOM. REP.
WRAPPER: ECUADOR

ARTURO FUENTE CUBAN BELICOSO FUENTE SUN GROWN
Sleek and dark, this oily torpedo is very creamy and earthy with complex notes of bittersweet fruit and orange peel. The pleasantly tangy finish resonates with cocoa and spice.

91



NICARAGUA
RING GAUGE: 50 LENGTH: 6"
FILLER: NICARAGUA
BINDER: NICARAGUA
WRAPPER: CONN SHADE

OLIVA CONNECTICUT RESERVE TORO
A lightly colored toro with a few veins on the wrapper. It draws and burns well, offering a light, creamy smoke complimented by some cedar and lemon notes.

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DOMINICAN REPUBLIC
RING GAUGE: 48 LENGTH: 7"
FILLER: DOM. REP.
BINDER: DOM. REP.
WRAPPER: CAMEROON

ARTURO FUENTE HEMINGWAY CLASSIC
A stunning figurado with a finely crafted nipple foot, subtle taper and perfect symmetry. It is spicy and toasty with complex notes of orange peel, cedar and coffee.
#7 CIGAR IN THE WORLD IN 2009

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NICARAGUA
RING GAUGE: 50 LENGTH: 7"
FILLER: NICARAGUA
BINDER: NICARAGUA
WRAPPER: NICARAGUA

OLIVA SERIE G CHURCHILL
A well-capped and richly aromatic cigar that imparts charred wood, nut and earth flavors to the palate before a coffee finish. Smooth and balanced
#11 CIGAR IN THE WORLD IN 2006

90



DOMINICAN REPUBLIC
RING GAUGE: 50 LENGTH: 6"
FILLER: DOM. REP.
BINDER: DOM. REP.
WRAPPER: U.S.A./CONN. SHADE

ASHTON CLASSIC DOUBLE MAGNUM
An attractive cigar with an oily wrapper. It burns well, with a powdery white ash. Its creamy, with some cocoa notes and a bready finish. A balanced, medium bodied smoke.

89



NICARAGUA
RING GAUGE: 52 LENGTH: 6"
FILLER: NICARAGUA
BINDER: NICARAGUA
WRAPPER: NICARAGUA

OLIVA SERIE O TORPEDO
A well-formed torpedo with a beautifully colored wrapper. The even draw imparts a soft, flavorful, balanced smoke full of leather and fruit. Subtle tea notes emerge on the finish.

91



DOMINICAN REPUBLIC
RING GAUGE: 48 LENGTH: 7"
FILLER: DOM. REP.
BINDER: DOM. REP.
WRAPPER: U.S.A./CONN. BROADLEAF

ASHTON AGED MADURO NO. 50
A dark and oily cigar with a good cap. The draw is a bit firm. The smoke is rich, leathery and cedary, with notes of semi-sweet chocolate. Very tasty

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NICARAGUA
RING GAUGE: 56 LENGTH: 6"
FILLER: NICARAGUA
BINDER: NICARAGUA
WRAPPER: NICARAGUA

OLIVA SERIE V TORPEDO
This attractive, oily torpedo is full of dynamic nut, wood and sweet cedar flavors that frame a substantial leather core. The finish is long and rich. Tasty and complex.
#4 CIGAR IN THE WORLD IN 2008

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DOMINICAN REPUBLIC
RING GAUGE: 52 LENGTH: 6"
FILLER: DOM. REP.
BINDER: DOM. REP.
WRAPPER: DOM. REP.

ASHTON ESTATE SUN GROWN 22-YEAR SALUTE
An intensely toasty smoke that becomes nutty and coffee-like in flavor. A well-balanced cigar with a medium to full body.
#8 CIGAR IN THE WORLD IN 2006

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NICARAGUA
RING GAUGE: 50 LENGTH: 5 3/4"
FILLER: NICARAGUA
BINDER: NICARAGUA
WRAPPER: NICARAGUA

CAIN F 550
Solidly rolled with a dark, oily attractive wrapper. The draw is a bit firm, but instantly delivers rich, bold notes of leather and spice that intensify in flavor as well as body.

92



DOMINICAN REPUBLIC
RING GAUGE: 55 LENGTH: 6 1/2"
FILLER: DOM. REP.
BINDER: DOM. REP.
WRAPPER: ECUADOR

ASHTON VIRGIN SUN GROWN TORPEDO
This pressed torpedo is medium bodied, offering a very flavorful, creamy smoke full of sweet cedar and nutmeg notes. The finish is toasty
#9 CIGAR IN THE WORLD IN 2009

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NICARAGUA
RING GAUGE: 49 LENGTH: 7.25"
FILLER: NICARAGUA
BINDER: NICARAGUA
WRAPPER: NICARAGUA

SAN CRISTOBAL MONUMENTO
Attractive and solidly rolled, this cigar has an even burn and lush draw that delivers rich, delicious flavors of cocoa, orange peel and a floral finish. Balanced.
#12 CIGAR IN THE WORLD IN 2007

93



NICARAGUA
RING GAUGE: 50 LENGTH: 6
FILLER: NICARAGUA, HONDURAS
BINDER: INDONESIA
WRAPPER: CONN. SHADE

PERDOMO FRESCO TORO
Draped in a smooth, oily wrapper with light veins. Delivers a mild to medium bodied smoke with hits of leather, orange peel and cedar.

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HONDURAS
RING GAUGE: 52 LENGTH: 6 1/8
FILLER: HONDURAS, NICARAGUA
BINDER: NICARAGUA
WRAPPER: NICARAGUA

ROMEO Y JULIETA RESERVE BELICOSO
This pressed torpedo has a richly colored wrapper. It draws well, offering primarily cedary flavors with some earth and leather.

89



HONDURAS
RING GAUGE: 50 LENGTH: 5 1/2"
FILLER: NICARAGUA
BINDER: NICARAGUA
WRAPPER: NICARAGUA

ROCKY PATEL ESPECIAL COROJO TORPEDO
A good basic cigar with a fairly smooth wrapper. A little Corojo spice comes through on the wrapper with a cedar finish. A mild cigar.

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DOMINICAN REPUBLIC
RING GAUGE: 50 LENGTH: 7"
FILLER: DOM. REP.
BINDER: DOM. REP.
WRAPPER: INDONESIA

ROMEO Y JULIETA 1875 CHURCHILL
A cream-colored wrapper covers this cigar. It has a firm draw but burns well, showing a blend of woody, toasty and nutty flavors

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DOMINICAN REPUBLIC
RING GAUGE: 50 LENGTH: 6 1/2"
FILLER: DOM. REP., MEXICO
BINDER: MEXICO
WRAPPER: U.S.A./CONN. SHADE

CASA DE GARCIA CHURCHILL
A nice churchill with a blonde wrapper. A mild cigar with some spice but mostly a breadly finish. Decent construction with no major flaws.

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DOMINICAN REPUBLIC
RING GAUGE: 50 LENGTH: 7"
FILLER: DOM. REP., NICARAGUA, PERU
BINDER: DOM. REP.
WRAPPER: MEXICO

MONTECRISTO PLATINUM CHURCHILL
The burn of this reddish-brown Churchill is imperfect but the draw delivers a hearty, meaty smoke full of wood, salty roasted nuts and espresso.

92

#22 CIGAR IN THE WORLD IN 2010



HONDURAS
RING GAUGE: 52 LENGTH: 6 1/8"
FILLER: HONDURAS, NICARAGUA, PERU
BINDER: NICARAGUA
WRAPPER: NICARAGUA

SAINT LUIS REY BELICOSO
An oily, well-made torpedo that has a superb draw and burn. It has a rich, hearty flavor, from chocolate to leather, cardamom to vanilla. Medium to full bodied.

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HONDURAS
RING GAUGE: 54 LENGTH: 5 1/4"
FILLER: NICARAGUA, HONDURAS, DOM. REP.
BINDER: U.S.A./CONN. BROADLEAF
WRAPPER: ECUADOR

PUNCH MAGNUM
A robusto with a rich, dark cocoa complexion. An even draw imparts woody, leathery smoke balanced by almond flavors and a pleasant spiciness.

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#19 CIGAR IN THE WORLD IN 2006



HONDURAS
RING GAUGE: 48 LENGTH: 7"
FILLER: NICARAGUA, DOM. REP.
BINDER: NICARAGUA
WRAPPER: ECUADOR

ROCKY PATEL VINTAGE 1992 CHURCHILL
A semi-pressed cigar with a dark wrapper and lush draw. There's a sweet and smoky balance of toast and nuts complemented by sugared Cuban coffee and dried fruit.

91



DOMINICAN REPUBLIC
RING GAUGE: 54 LENGTH: 6"
FILLER: DOM. REP., NICARAGUA
BINDER: U.S.A./CONN. HABANO
WRAPPER: HONDURAS

MACANUDO 1968 TORO
A dark cigar with lots of woody, cedary flavors. The taste is complemented by significant notes of toast as well as black cherry flavors.

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HONDURAS
RING GAUGE: 50 LENGTH: 5 1/2"
FILLER: NICARAGUA, DOM. REP.
BINDER: NICARAGUA
WRAPPER: HONDURAS

ROCKY PATEL VINTAGE 1990 ROBUSTO
A pressed, attractive cigar with great oils and nice color. It's nutty, earthy and sweet, with a medium to full body. A finger burner

92



DOMINICAN REPUBLIC
RING GAUGE: 49 LENGTH: 5 1/2"
FILLER: DOM. REP., MEXICO
BINDER: MEXICO
WRAPPER: U.S.A./CONN. SHADE

MACANUDO HYDE PARK
A nice robusto with an even draw presenting woody, cedary notes along with some nutty flavors and a creamy finish.

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23 CIGAR BLEND IN THE WORLD IN 2005



HONDURAS
RING GAUGE: 52 LENGTH: 6 1/2"
FILLER: NICARAGUA
BINDER: NICARAGUA
WRAPPER: U.S.A./PENN. BROADLEAF

ROCKY PATEL DECADE TORPEDO EDICIÓN LIMITADA
Initial puffs of this dark, oily torpedo are overwhelmingly sugary, but the smoke balances out to take on a caramel nuttiness, some licorice, herbal notes and a touch of wheat

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DOMINICAN REPUBLIC
RING GAUGE: 47 LENGTH: 6"
FILLER: DOM. REP.
BINDER: INDONESIA
WRAPPER: CAMEROON

COHIBA LONSDALE GRANDE
Well made with a good draw, this cigar has a solid core of distinctly nutty flavors that have an underlying creaminess. French peanut notes and a touch of caramel on the finish make this a very tasty medium-bodied smoke.

89



HONDURAS
RING GAUGE: 54 LENGTH: 6 1/4"
FILLER: HONDURAS, DOM. REP., NICARAGUA
BINDER: U.S.A./CONN. HABANO
WRAPPER: HONDURAS

HOYO DE TRADICIÓN TORO GRANDE
This box-pressed cigar produces a solid ash as it burns. The smoke is nutty and grainy with wood flavors, cream notes and a sweet and toasty character.

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DOMINICAN REPUBLIC
RING GAUGE: 50 LENGTH: 6"
FILLER: DOM. REP., NICARAGUA
BINDER: NICARAGUA
WRAPPER: ECUADOR

LA GLORIA CUBANA CORONA GORDA
This rich brown cigar produces a huge toasty aroma as it burns. It is toasty and cedary with wood, tobacco and mint intonations.

89



HONDURAS
RING GAUGE: 50 LENGTH: 5 1/4"
FILLER: DOM. REP., HONDURAS, NICARAGUA
BINDER: U.S.A./CONN. BROADLEAF
WRAPPER: U.S.A./CONN. BROADLEAF

HOYO DE MONTERREY EXCALIBUR EPICURE MADURO
A good-looking cigar with an oily wrapper. There are dominant wood and toast notes, with just a touch of sweetness. A mild- to medium-bodied smoke.

92



DOMINICAN REPUBLIC
RING GAUGE: 52 LENGTH: 6 1/8"
FILLER: DOM. REP., NICARAGUA, PERU
BINDER: NICARAGUA
WRAPPER: CAMEROON

H. UPMANN VINTAGE CAMEROON BELICOSO
This figurado has a perfect draw and burn. It has a toasty aroma and fine woody flavors. The finish has hints of coffee and cocoa. A well rounded cigar.

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#24 CIGAR IN THE WORLD IN 2004



NICARAGUA
RING GAUGE: 50 LENGTH: 7"
FILLER: NICARAGUA
BINDER: NICARAGUA
WRAPPER: U.S.A./CONN. BROADLEAF

LA AROMA DE CUBA CHURCHILL
A solidly rolled double corona with a dark, toothy wrapper and a firm draw. The smoke is sweet and cedary with some spice as well.

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#20 CIGAR IN THE WORLD IN 2006