

Fine spirits for the great outdoors.

## BRAND GUIDELINES



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# ONE THING I KNOW ABOUT THE LAST BEST PLACE IS THAT IT ISN'T A PLACE THAT SUFFERS HALF-ASSED WHISKEY."

Todd Berg, Founder of Montana Whiskey Co.

There is a reason why Montana is called the last best place. It is a limited edition of one. A 94-million-acre collection of vast expanses, natural wonders, and resourceful, adventurous people.

Montana is as much a state of mind and being as it is a State. And it is here that we've taken on the responsibility to create whiskey that lives up to its name.

We've worked hard to build our brand and any representation, publishing, or promotion of Montana Whiskey Co. must abide by the guidelines set forth in the following.

#### Read through it carefully because we're serious about doing this right.

By using the brand assets found in the Montana Whiskey Co. media library, you agree to the terms and conditions set forth in these brand guidelines.

And when you have a job well done, give yourself a good pour and get a taste of what Montana is all about.

#### QUESTIONS?

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### **LOGO VARIATIONS**

These are the only approved variations of the Montana Whiskey Co. logo. A custom typeface has been created for the logo. This typeface should not be used in any circumstance other than the logo or product names.

#### Primary Logo

**Logo option A** (arched logotype with elk illustration) is the primary logo option, and should be the default logo for use in all communications.

#### Logo Size

Only use a logo with a tagline (option C or D) when it can be placed at a size larger than 1.25" tall. This ensures the tagline will be clear and legible.

When the logo needs to be placed at size **less than .25"** tall, use version D or F. This ensures the most important elements within each logo will be clearly visible.

#### Graphic options

( Primary Logo ) A. V

A. WITH ELK - ARCH



C. WITH ELK - ARCH + TAGLINE



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B. WITH ELK - STACKED



D. WITH ELK - STACKED + TAGLINE



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#### Wordmark options

D. STACKED TWO LINES

MONTANA WHISKEY Cº

E. STACKED TWO LINES & LOCATION



F. SINGLE LINE

## MONTANA WHISKEY CO

## **LOGO USAGE**

The Montana Whiskey Co. logo must not be redrawn, re-proportioned or modified in any way.

This is not an exhaustive list of all possible improper use cases. To guarantee proper use of the logo, use artwork only as provided, without any modification.

The general concept of each improper use example shown here applies to all versions and variations of the Montana Whiskey Co. logo.

#### Improper Use Examples

DO NOT DISTORT THE LOGO



DO NOT USE NON-BRAND FONTS

DO NOT USE NON-BRAND COLORS









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DO NOT PLACE AT ILLEGIBLE SIZE



DO NOT REFLECT THE LOGO



DO NOT OUTLINE THE LOGO



DO NOT ADD GRADIENTS



DO NOT ADD SHADOW



DO NOT ADD EFFECTS



## **LOGO USAGE CONT'D**

When using the Montana Whiskey Co. logo, ensure a generous amount of clear space on all sides. This practice ensures legibility and avoids crowding the artwork.

The minimum amount of clear space should be **equal to the "M"** found in the word "Montana" within each version of the logo. Where possible, opt for more clear space, as **this is simply the minimum.** 

When placing the logo over a solid color background, ensure the logo is legible, and contrasts sufficiently.

Similarly, when placed over a complex pattern or photograph, the logo must still be visible. To ensure visibility, pick a simple, low-contrast area of the photo, adjust the photo to increase logo visibility, or place the logo over a solid background.

#### Clear Space



#### Logo Background









× INSUFFICIENT CONTRAST







× INSUFFICIENT CONTRAST



× INSUFFICIENT CONTRAST



## **COLOR PALETTE**

These are the **only acceptable colors** within the Montana Whiskey Co. brand color palette. Please refrain from using any colors other than the swatches listed on this page.

The Color Usage Chart generally defines the visual hierarchy of each swatch within a given composition.

Montana Red is the brand's accent color. It is essential in defining the brand, but **should be used sparingly**.

Metallic Silver is a color used only in product packaging. It should not be used for any other materials.

#### PRINTING INFORMATION

- PMS colors should only be used when printing with a commercial printer, or highend local print shop.
- Use the coated PMS colors when printing on coated paper. Use the uncoated PMS colors when printing on uncoated paper.
- RGB colors are only used for screen or web applications.

#### **Primary Colors**

#### MONTANA GREEN



PMS **UNCOATED**: 555U PMS **COATED**: 5555C CMYK: 45,15,40,50 RGB: 83,109,96

#### CREAM



PMS **UNCOATED**: 7527 U PMS **COATED**: 7527 C CMYK: 15,13,21,0 RGB: 214,209,196

#### BLACK



PMS **UNCOATED**: Black 6 U PMS **COATED**: Black 6 C CMYK: 60, 40, 40, 100 RGB: 0, 0, 0

#### **Secondary Colors**

#### MONTANA RED



PMS **UNCOATED**: 2349 U PMS **COATED**: 7599 C CMYK: 20,89,100,10 RGB: 183,61,37

#### METALLIC SILVER (PACKAGING ONLY)



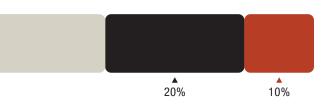
PMS **UNCOATED**: Silver U
Cool Gray 4U (non metallic option)
PMS **COATED**: Silver C

Cool Gray 4C (non metallic option)

35%

CMYK: 0,0,0,35 RGB: 177,179,183

#### Color Usage Chart



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35%

## **TYPOGRAPHY**

All typography for the Montana Whiskey Co. brand should consist of only the typefaces listed here.

When setting primary, large headlines, Knockout (all-caps) should be the go-to typeface. Its bold, condensed forms help set important messages apart from other elements in a composition.

**Subheads** should be set in Janson Text 55 Roman Small Caps.

All longer-form **body copy** should be set in Janson Text 55 Roman, and Italic when needed.

Any heading that falls **below the subhead** within the
typographical hierarchy should
be set in Gotham Bold.

Less important information should be set in Helvetica Neue 57 Condensed. Examples of this include page numbers, legal information, or warnings. **Primary Typography** 



KNOCKOUT

## **FINE SPIRITS**

**ABCDEFGHIJKLMNOPQRSTUVWXYZ** 



JANSON TEXT 55 ROMAN

## Great Outdoors

abcdefghijklmnopqrstuvwxyz



JANSON TEXT 55 ROMAN SMALL CAPS AND OLDSTYLE FIGURES

## Drink Responsibly

**ABCDEFGHIJKLMNOPQRSTUVWXYZ** 

Body Copy

JANSON TEXT 56 ITALIC

## Last Best Place

abcdefghijklmnopqrstuvwxyz

Secondary Typography

Tertiary Headers

GOTHAM BOLD

## **GET A TASTE**

**ABCDEFGHIJKLMNOPQR** 

Tertiary Information

HELVETICA NEUE 57 CONDENSED

## **Montana Traditions**

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## PRODUCT PHOTOGRAPHY

The primary method of showing the Montana Whiskey Co. Blackfoot River Bourbon product is to crop the lowermost portion of the bottle. Cropping the product in this way adds visual interest, leads viewers into our visual assets, and helps set our brand apart.

This cropping method is not required for every use of the Blackfoot River Bourbon product photo, it is simply the preferred method.

## TO ENSURE THE BOTTLE IS PROPERLY CROPPED:

- Bottom silver ring of bottle should be hidden
- Bottle label should be fully visible
- Distance from bottom of label to finished edge of deliverable should be at least 1/4 of label height





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## **PRINTABLE ASSETS**

Montana Whiskey Co. offers a variety of downloadable print assets to accompany products in-store. Adhere to the following guidelines to ensure these are correctly produced.

#### Posters

Posters must be printed on 80 pound (or heavier), white, ledger paper (11" x 17").

#### SELL SHEETS

Sell sheets must be printed on 60 pound (or heavier), white paper. Two sell sheets are printed on each 8.5" x 11" sheet.

Sell sheets may be edited to include contact name, phone, email, retail price, and listing code. Use the space to the right of the bottle.

#### SHELF HANGERS

Shelf hangers must be printed on 80 pound (or heavier), white paper. Four sell sheets are printed on each 8.5" x 11" sheet.

#### **Posters**





17" -

#### Sell sheets





11"

#### **Shelf Hangers**



8.5"

## **LEGAL INFORMATION**

Montana Whiskey Co. requires adherence to the **DISCUS Code of Responsible Practices** for Beverage Alcohol Advertising and Marketing

Find those responsible practices here for review:

https://www.distilledspirits.org/wpcontent/uploads/2023/06/DISCUS CodeofResponsiblePractices 2023.pdf

https://www.distilledspirits.org/ code-of-responsible-practices/

#### Enjoy Responsibly

Always include "Enjoy Responsibly" in all marketing and advertising.

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