# Cigar Evaluation Sheet



Instructions: Consumption of the cigar begins in the pre-smoke phase. Begin your evaluation by reading each category for evaluation on the left. Take the pre-smoke and smoke sections in order and separately. Within those sections you should address each item in the order you choose. When addressing each item, write full phrases and sentences with as many descriptive terms as possible. The terms below the lines may help inform more descriptive answers. Feel very free to use terms not included on this page.

# Pre-smoke

Scent of Wrapper: Leather with hints of hay, slight spicy hints.

Place nose to wrapper and breathe deeply

Scent at Foot: Leather and slight cedar.

**Appearance:** 

Make notes and marks above

Wrapper: Slight veining but otherwise oily and smooth.

Note any markings, color, or inconsistencies

Feel: Well constructed, firm with no noticeable soft areas.

Is the cigar spongy, hard, or inconsistent?

Tongue: Distinct leather and slight pepper.

Press tongue to newly cut end and note perceptions

Flavor on Draw: Leather comes through strong with pepper aftertaste.

Note any tingle or flavor on tongue or inside mouth

# Smoke

Taste: Initial taste of leather and slight creamy taste. Has some hints of

chocolate. Burnt coffee pronounced at in last third. Good smoke.

Indicate all flavors including different strength levels and combinations of flavors

**Flavor Changes:** 



Note on the image where flavor changes occurred if it did

Strength: Mild/moderate at start and finishing moderate.

Note the strength of the flavor at different stages if appropriate

**Feeling:** Early morning cigar paired with coffee, definite relaxation.

What feeling does this cigar cause, at different stages if appropriate

**Scent of Smoke:** Burnt hay with slight coffee hints.

What does the smoke smell like in the air

**Heat on Fingers and in Mouth:** Good clean burn with no overheating.

Does the cigar become hot on fingers or not, does it get hot in the mouth?

Draw: Good draw with just a slight resistance, just the way I like it.

Does the smoke draw loosely, firmly, hardly or is it plugged?

Finish: Creamy chocolate, burnt coffee last third.

What is the lingering taste after the smoke is expelled?

### Other Aspects of the Cigar Smoking Experience:

This cigar continues to be in my rotation of daily smokes. I keep a

supply on hand at all times. Very pleasant way to start a Sunday.

Make any notes beyond what you noted already

Evaluation sheet modified for Cigar Live.

# **Cigar Flavor Chart**

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Common	Rare
Field Grass	Eucalyptus
Green Peppercorn	Olive
Hay/Straw	Fern
Tea	Cabbage
Rose	Celery
Lilac	Jasmine
Prune	Violet
Plum	Apricot
Raisin	Apple
Black Peppercorn	Cherry
Clove	Peach
Cedar	Blackberry
Smoke	Raspberry
Oak	Strawberry
Birch	Pineapple
Vanilla	Melon
Sandalwood	Banana
Bitter Coffee	Orange
Burnt Coffee	Lemon
Savor	Mint
Roasted Nuts	Cinnamon
Steak	Fennel
Ham	Pine wood
Onion	Butterscotch
Cream	Burnt Sugar
Milk	Fish
Bread	Butter
Cereals	Mushroom
Rum	Whisky
Ammonia	Honey

# **Final Rating**

Rating on a scale of 0.1-10.0:

- Unpleasant Flavor
- 6 Good
- 2 Contains Bad Flavors 7 Very Good
- 3 Seriously Flawed 8 Excellent
- 4 Slightly Flawed
- 9 Nearly Perfect
- **5** Acceptable
- 10 Best Cigar Ever

Cigar Band

Cigar: Cusano 18 Paired Maduro Robusto

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