

# PADDOCK LIFE™

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*THE DECADENCE ISSUE*

# SPIRIT OF ECSTASY



## KATA ROCKS GIN

Decadence is the theme of this issue, so when our lift doors opened into our penthouse four bedroom villa at Kata Rocks, we had pretty much nailed it. As you know we like a spot of gin here at Paddock Life, so when even a cursory glance of the open plan kitchen revealed a pristine bottle of Kata Rocks Gin there were three happy faces on the Paddock Life crew... even with jet lag.

The "Spirit of Kata Rocks" gin is an ultra-small batch hand crafted gin, designed to appeal to the discerning gin connoisseur as well as the rapidly growing band of new enthusiasts. As Scot Toon, Kata Rocks general manager said only the best ingredients are used, starting with an infusion of Peruvian juniper berries, Angelica wild ginseng and finished with a bold flourish of local Thai herbs and exceptional Asian spices."

With fresh lemon grass, fresh lemon peel, coriander seed, fresh bergamot leaf, spicy Sichuan pepper, as well as green pepper, green cardamom, white mugwort, fresh pomelo peel, not to mention the Thai basil and high mountain oolong tea among others. The Spirit of Kata Rocks recipe and complex distillation process remains a secret known to only a select few.

With the demand for high quality gin on Phuket and around Thailand growing, the team took every care in creating the gin and its two Gold CSWA spirit industry awards pay testament to their success.



Shaken, stirred, sipped or savoured it is best experienced in a Kata Rocks' custom cocktail made by the resort's professional team of mixologists. Especially as the sun slips into the Andaman sea at The Oceanfront Bar and Restaurant at Kata Rocks.

For us, on ice with a slice of orange and a quality natural tonic at sundown worked a treat. The limited edition bottles are available locally, we managed to secure a couple for ourselves, but as soon as we run out, it's the perfect excuse to fly back to one of the most glamorous and decadent resorts in the world, for the most decadent of gin cocktails... the Spirit of Kata Rocks.