

## Cotton & Reed Partners with Prestige-Ledroit Distributing Co to Expand Mid-Atlantic Presence

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WASHINGTON, D.C. — July 17, 2025 — Cotton & Reed, Washington, D.C.'s first rum distillery, is proud to announce a new distribution partnership with Prestige-Ledroit Distributing Co, a leading distributor of artisanal spirits, wine, and craft beverages in the Mid-Atlantic region.

This strategic collaboration marks an exciting chapter for both companies as Cotton & Reed seeks to grow its presence across Maryland, Washington, D.C., and Delaware. Prestige-Ledroit, known for its carefully curated portfolio and dedication to independent producers, will now carry Cotton & Reed's full line of award-winning rums.

"Jim and Pam are finally getting together. Prestige Ledroit has the best selection of both local spirits and rums from around the world, and we couldn't be happier to join their book." said Jordan Cotton, CEO and co-founder of Cotton & Reed. "They are a national rarity- a wholesaler that combines expertise and a dedication to craft with the scale to service accounts and a sterling reputation among buyers and suppliers alike."

Since opening its doors in 2016 in D.C.'s vibrant Union Market district, Cotton & Reed has earned a reputation for pushing the boundaries of rum-making, using unique fermentation techniques and a bold approach to flavor. The distillery has garnered regional acclaim and a loyal following for products like its White Rum, Dry Spiced Rum, and Allspice Dram, as well as its inventive canned cocktails.

Prestige-Ledroit's addition of Cotton & Reed to its portfolio strengthens its commitment to supporting independent, innovative brands that elevate the craft beverage experience.

"Cotton & Reed exemplifies the kind of creativity and craftsmanship we look for in our partners," said John Dynan, Senior Spirits Portfolio Manager.
"We're excited to help bring their exceptional rums to more bars, restaurants, and retailers throughout the region."

The partnership officially launched in July 2025, with Cotton & Reed products now available for wholesale order through Prestige-Ledroit in D.C., Maryland, and Delaware.

For more information about Prestige-Ledroit Distributing Co. and its portfolio, please visit <a href="www.prestigeledroit.com">www.prestigeledroit.com</a>.

### **About Prestige-Ledroit Distributing Co**

Prestige-Ledroit Distributing Co is a Mid-Atlantic distributor dedicated to representing world-class wines and spirits from independent producers. With a focus on quality, integrity, and education, Prestige-Ledroit connects passionate makers with discerning consumers across the region.

# **About Cotton & Reed**

Founded in 2016, Cotton & Reed is D.C.'s first rum distillery, crafting bold, flavorful spirits using American-grown cane sugar and a culinary approach to flavor. Located in the Union Market neighborhood, the distillery features a vibrant tasting room and is known for its distinctive line of rums and craft cocktails.

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