

## NEWSLETTER

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#### **Spirits Import Data of China for August 2026**

China imported spirits worth 150 million USD in August 2026, with volume down by 4.18% year-on-year while value rose by 3.28%. Whisky was the key growth segment, driven by rising imports from the United Kingdom. Premium single malt products contributed most of the value growth, reflecting Chinese consumers' preference for high-end imported spirits. **(Wine Business Observer)**

#### **South African Cherries Gain Market Access to China**

China Customs released the announcement allowing South African cherries to be exported to China after cold treatment or fumigation. The first batch is expected to hit the market in week 44 of this year by air freight. This approval adds a new supplier to China's seasonal cherry market and will compete with supplies from Chile and Australia. **(Asia Fruit)**

#### **China's August Wine Import Figures Released**

China's wine import volume reached 18.88 million litres in August 2026, up 18.75% year-on-year, while the import value stood at 118 million USD with a 7.48% year-on-year drop. The average import price continued to decline. Bulk wine imports grew rapidly, partially offsetting the sluggish performance of bottled imported wine. **(Vino Joy News)**

#### **Vietnam Fruit Exports to China Rise Before Holiday**

Vietnam's fruit exports to China have strengthened as China's National Day holiday approaches. Durian prices in Vietnam increased by 20–30% within one week due to tighter supply and higher Chinese demand. Customs clearance channels for fresh fruits have been optimized to shorten transit time across the border. **(Asia Fruit)**

#### **China Unveils New Green Standards for Agricultural Machinery**

China's Ministry of Industry and Information Technology introduced new environmental standards for agricultural machinery. The initiative accelerates the replacement of diesel-powered equipment with electric and hybrid alternatives. Backed by €537 million (4 billion yuan) in green technology grants, the policy aims to reduce carbon emissions across major agricultural hubs. **(Xinhua)**