

FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934
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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* <u>Stiefel Justin B</u> (Last) (First) (Middle) <u>C/O HERITAGE DISTILLING HOLDING COMPANY</u> <u>9668 BUJACICH ROAD</u> (Street) <u>GIG HARBOR WA 98332</u> (City) (State) (Zip)	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol <u>Heritage Distilling Holding Company, Inc. [IPST]</u>	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Director 10% Owner <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Officer (give title below) Other (specify below) <u>CEO & Treasurer</u>
	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) <u>10/01/2025</u>	
4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)		

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)		4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)			5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price			

Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned
(e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)		5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)		6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4)		8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 4)	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
				Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares				
Restricted Stock Units	(1)	10/01/2025		A		175,000		(2)	(2)	Common Stock	175,000	\$0	175,000	D	
Restricted Stock Units	(1)	10/01/2025		A		25,000		(2)	(2)	Common Stock	25,000	\$0	25,000	I	By Spouse ⁽³⁾

Explanation of Responses:

1. Each restricted stock unit ("RSU") represents a contingent right to receive one share of the issuer's common stock.

2. The RSUs vest over an eighteen (18) month period beginning September 1, 2025, with six (6) months of service-based vesting deemed satisfied as of February 2, 2026, and the remaining units vesting in equal installments every three months thereafter, subject to continued service.

3. These securities are held by Jennifer D.H. Stiefel, the spouse of the reporting person. For purposes of Section 16 of the Exchange Act, the reporting person disclaims beneficial ownership of any such securities, except to the extent of his pecuniary interest therein, if any, and this report shall not be deemed an admission that such reporting person is the beneficial owner of such securities for purposes of Section 16 or otherwise.

Remarks:

/s/ Justin B. Stiefel 01/05/2026
** Signature of Reporting Person Date

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4 (b)(v).

** Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations See 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).

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