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STYLE GUIDE

LAGERS

Mild to Moderately Sweet, Light-Bodied Lagers

Keo	Sapporo
Carib	Corona
Cristal	Sol
Budweiser	Amstel Light
Blue	Grolsch Blonde
Moosehead	Sagres
Red Stripe	Super Bock
Labatt Classic	Tennent's
Upper Canada Point Nine	Michelob
Kingfisher	Carlsberg Light (D)
Harp Lager	Molson Canadian (D)
Menabrea	Sleeman Honey Brown Lager (D)
Moretti	Dos Equis XX (D)
Asahi	

Mild to Moderately Hoppy, Light-Bodied Lagers

DAB Pilsner	Krombacher Original Pilsner
Steamwhistle Pilsner	Zywiec
Upper Canada Lager	Stella Artois (D)
Tubourg	Belle Gueule (D)
Tsingtao	Saint André Vienna Lager (D)
Lowenbrau	Creemore Springs Premium Lager (D)
Grolsch	Beck's (D)
Heineken	Warsteiner (D)
Steinlager	Heineken (D)

Hoppy, Medium- to Full-Bodied Lagers

Radegast	Holsten Pilsner
Karlavaco Pivo	Konig Premium Pilsner
Czechvar	King Pilsner (D)
Radegast	Samuel Adams Boston Lager (D)
Pilsner Urquell	

Sweet, Full-Bodied Lagers

Dragon Stout

ALES

Mild to Moderately Sweet, Light-Bodied Ales

Oland Export	Caffrey's Irish Cream Ale
Molson Export	Alexander Keith's India Pale Ale (D)
Amsterdam Natural Blonde	

Mildly Hoppy, Light- to Medium-Bodied Ales

Cameron's Auburn Ale	Well's India Pale Ale
Newcastle Brown Ale	Smithwick's Ale
Amsterdam Nut Brown Ale	Smuttynose Porter
Double Diamond	Church Key Cream Ale (D)
Cooper's Sparkling Ale	Bass Pale Ale (D)
Hobgoblin	Kilkenny Cream Ale (D)
St. Peter's Strong Ale	Boddington's Pub Ale

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(D) = Draught

STYLE GUIDE

ALES

Moderately to Very Hopy, Full-Bodied Ales

Brakspear Bitter
Black Sheep Ale
Marston Pedigree
Samuel Smith India Ale
Rogue Brutal Bitter

Victory Hop Devil India Pale Ale
Griffon Extra Pale Ale (D)
St. Ambrose Pale Ale (D)
Scotch Irish Session Ale (D)
Guinness Stout (D)

Strong, Non-Belgian Ales

Samuel Smith Imperial Stout
Rogue Imperial Stout

Rogue Old Crustacean
X.O.

Strong Belgian or Belgian-Style Ales, Lightly to Moderately Sweet

Saison Dupont
Duvel
Unibroue 10
Achel 8
Fin du Monde
Westmalle Tripel

Maudite
Bush Ambrée
La Choulette Ambrée
Leffe Blonde (D)
Leffe Brune (D)
Chouffe Blonde (D)

Hopy and Strong Belgian or Belgian-Style Ales

Chimay White
Orval

Strong Belgian or Belgian-Style Ales, Moderately to Very Sweet

Liefmans Goudenband
La Trappe Dubbel
Florefe Dubbel
Trois Pistoles
Verboten Vrucht
Chimay Red/Première

Maredsous 8
Corsendonk Pater
Gouden Carolus
Rochefort 8
Chimay Blue

Fruit Beers

Mort Subite Framboise
Mort Subite Pêche

Belle-Vue Kriek (D)
KLB Raspberry Wheat (D)

Light and Refreshing Wheat Beers

Victory Whirlwind Witbier
Mort Subite Gueuze
Ayinger Ur-Weisse
Paulaner Hefe-Weizen
Schneider Weisse

St. Peter's Wheat
Hoegaarden (D)
Big Rock Grasshopper (D)
Blanche de Chambly (D)
Hacker-Pschorr Weisse (D)

Strong Wheat Beers

Aventinus

Cider

Blackthorn English Cider (D)

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B E E R T E R M S

Ale - Along with lager, ale is one of the two main families of beer. It is top-fermented and requires less conditioning time than does lager. Styles of ale include, but are not limited to, Stout, Best Bitter, Altbier and Barley Wine.

Altbier - A German style of dry, often earthy ale usually associated with Düsseldorf.

Barleywine - Very potent (often 9% alcohol or stronger) and flavourful ale. Of British origin, the style has undergone a renaissance in North America in recent years.

Belgian-Style Abbey Ale - Strong ale (usually 6-9% alcohol) with a pronounced malty character. Sometimes brewed with spices, although classically this is not the case.

Best Bitter - The basic English pub ale. A Best Bitter will typically have lower alcohol content than a standard Canadian beer (4-5% in Canada, often less in the U.K.) and a dryish character. Despite the name, Best Bitters are not necessarily that bitter.

Bière de Garde - This northern French style of ale was originally designed to withstand months of cellaring time, particularly during the summer when plentiful wild yeasts once made brewing impossible. They are typically strong, malty and slightly spicy or toasty in flavour.

Bock (see also Doppelbock, Eisbock) - German strong lager. A Bock will typically have a lightly sweet, malt-dominated flavour and 6% alcohol or greater.

Bohemian Pilsner (see also Pilsner) - The original Pilsner was developed in Pilsen, Czech Republic in 1842. Typically, the style refers to a hoppy, floral lager.

Bottle-Fermentation - Beer, usually ale, that is packaged with live yeast in order to produce a final fermentation in the bottle. Also known as bottle-conditioning, bottle-fermentation differs from unfiltered beer in that the yeast cells are active at the point of bottling.

Brown Ale - A British style of malt-accented, often chocolaty ale ranging in taste from fairly sweet to dryish and earthy.

Continental Pilsner (see also Pilsner) - A derivative of the original Czech Pilsner (see Bohemian Pilsner), the Continental take on this classic beer is lightly hoppy and malty. Most mass-market European lagers fall into the Continental Pilsner style.

Cream Ale - Of North American origin, it is a beer fermented with ale yeast at lager temperatures. The style was developed in the late 1800's by ale brewers seeking to establish a style that would compete with the new and popular lagers. Recently, the name has been co-opted by mainly Irish and English brewers seeking to evoke the idea that their beer has a creamy flavour.

Doppelbock (see also Bock, Eisbock) - A stronger version of a Bock. Normally very malty in flavour and with well-developed complexity, a Doppelbock should have at least 7% alcohol and can reach as high as 9% or 10%.

Dry-Hopping - The process whereby extra hops are added to beer, usually ale, following its primary fermentation. Dry-hopping will generally produce a more aromatic beer.

Dubbel - A Belgian beer term referring to a malty ale of medium-strong alcohol content (usually 6-7%) and a chocolaty and sometimes spicy character.

Dunkel - Dark lager associated with Germany in general and Munich in particular. While it may assume many forms, a classic Dunkel will have only mild sweetness and a dryish or off-dry finish.

Eisbock (see also Bock, Doppelbock) - A very strong type of Bock created by partially freezing the fermented beer and extracting the frozen water. This concentrates both the flavours and alcohol. Typically, an Eisbock will be anywhere from 8% to 14% alcohol.

Extra Special Bitter (ESB; see also Best Bitter) - A bigger version of a Best Bitter with a little extra of everything -- hops, malt and alcohol.

Fruit Beer - Any beer flavoured with fruit, fruit syrup or fruit extract. This may be accomplished by fermenting the beer with fruit or adding the syrup or extract to the beer after fermentation.

German Pilsner/Pils (see also Pilsner) - The northern German take on the Pilsner style is typically less malty and floral than its Czech counterpart (see Bohemian Pilsner) but with the same kind of assertive hoppiness.

Hefeweizen (see also Wheat Beer) - A Bavarian style of Wheat Beer. The prefix "hefe-" means "with yeast," and so it is normal for a Hefeweizen to appear cloudy. The key to this style is the family of Bavarian yeasts which yield clovey, spicy and banana-ish aromas and flavours. Also known as Weissbier (meaning "white beer," white being an international brewing term denoting beers brewed from wheat) and Weizen (often but not always meaning that the beer has been filtered).

Helles - The golden lager of Bavaria. Maltier and less hoppy than a northern German pils, Helles is the everyday drinking beer of Munich.

Hops - The cone of the plant *Humulus Lupulus*, originally added to beer for its preservative effect, but now used mainly for bitterness and aroma. There are dozens if not hundreds of varieties of hops in use in brewing today.

India Pale Ale (IPA; see also Pale Ale) - Developed as a beer that would withstand the sea voyage from Britain to India, IPAs are pale ales with elevated levels of hops and alcohol, both of which would act as preservatives during the ocean journey.

Kölsch - A pale, delicate style of ale originating from the German city of Köln (Cologne).

Lager - Along with ale, lager is one of the two main families of beer. It is bottom-fermented and requires greater conditioning time than does ale. Styles of lager include, but are not limited to, pilsner, bock, doppelbock and märzen.

Lambic - Spontaneously-fermented Wheat Beer from Belgium. A lambic is fermented with wild yeasts and then aged in wood for up to three years. Left unsweetened, lambics are typically complex, tart and aggressive in flavour. Lambic can be served "straight" while still young, blended and bottle-conditioned to create Gueuze, or refermented with fruit. In the latter case, the traditional beers are known as Kriek (when cherries are used) and Framboise (raspberries). Very little beer in the Lambic style is produced outside of Belgium.

Malt - Barley or other grains that are soaked in water until they begin to sprout, thereby releasing starches that will later be converted into sugars during the mash. Following germination, the grains are kilned to halt the germination. Malts may then be further kilned to anything from a sandy gold to chocolate brown colour, or even roasted black, to produce different flavours and colours.

Märzen -- Also known as Oktoberfest lager or occasionally festbier, it is a slightly more alcoholic and malty version of the Vienna lager style. Ironically, little märzen is still consumed in Munich during the Oktoberfest celebration.

BEER TERMS

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Mild Ale - A British style of malty, easy-drinking ale. Usually a Mild will be of no more than 3.5% alcohol.

Pale Ale (see also India Pale Ale) - A well-hopped ale of British origin. Although they are typically amber or copper in colour, Pale Ales were so-named because of the lightness and clarity relative to the popular porters and other dark ales of the time. Modern Pale Ales in Québec and parts of the United States tend to be assertively hoppy and bitter.

Pilsner (see also Bohemian Pilsner, German Pilsner/Pils, Continental Pilsner) - Used generically, this term describes a blonde lager.

Porter (see also Stout) - The precursor to Stout, Porter derives its colour from dark or roasted malt. Usually, the term refers to a lightly roasty, dry-ish ale of 4-5% alcohol, although the Eastern European or Baltic style of Porter is normally very sweet and of 7-8% alcohol.

Rauchbier/Smoked Beer - Any beer in which a portion of malt has been smoked over a fire prior to being used in the brew. The classic comes from Bamberg, Germany, and is a lager, although numerous North American breweries have brewed ales, porters and stouts from smoked malt.

Scottish Ale/Scotch Ale - A typically malty style of ale from Scotland. When the term used is "Scottish," it usually refers to a caramelly or fruity ale of 4-5% alcohol. If described as "Scotch," the ale is more likely stronger (8% alcohol or more) and profoundly malty in flavour.

Session Beer - A British term indicating a beer with relatively low alcohol and high quaffability. The expression comes from the idea that the beer may be consumed over a "drinking session" without making the imbibers drunk.

Tripel - A style of ale developed by Belgian Trappist monks, a Tripel should be golden in colour, not overly fruity in flavour and of 8-9% alcohol.

Steam Beer - A unique style of beer famously brewed in California by Anchor Brewing. It requires the beer to bottom-ferment at elevated temperatures in a large, wading pool-style fermenter. The intent is to create a beer with flavour attributes of both lager and ale. Not all brands specified as "steam" use the traditional fermenters.

Stout (see also Porter) - Very dark ale originally called stout porter. Several styles exist, including the classic roasty, coffee-ish Irish Dry Stout, rich and creamy Oatmeal Stout, strong and fortifying Imperial Stout and sweet and strong Caribbean Stout.

Vienna Lager - A slightly sweet style of lager usually medium gold to amber in colour and lightly toasty.

Wheat Beer (see also Hefeweizen, Lambic, White Beer) - Used generically, this term describes any beer brewed with a portion of wheat in the mash. Unless a specific style is identified, a Wheat Beer is usually a light ale with a faintly citrusy flavour.

White Beer (see also Wheat Beer) - A Belgian style of Wheat beer brewed with a large portion (30-50% of the total grain) of unmalted wheat and flavoured with coriander and orange peel.

FASCINATING BEER FACT

- ▶ In England, a motorist involved in an auto crash lost his taste for beer. The sympathetic judge declared his misfortune as 'a great loss', and awarded the injured victim \$14,076 (Canadian) in damages.

Beers on Tap

Belgium

**Belle-Vue Kriek
Lambic Ale**
(5.2% alc/vol)
13 oz. \$6.62



This is a Lambic beer (see Lambic,) spontaneously fermented and aged in oak barrels. "Kriek", the Flemish word for cherry, is applied to the name because July-harvested cherries are added to lambic beer that has been aged 3 to 9 months. The sugar from the cherries further ferments the beer approximately 1 year resulting in a surprisingly refreshing cherry taste. Served in it's own special "snifter" style glass to accentuate its taste and aroma.

Hoegaarden White
(5% alc/vol)
14 oz. \$4.87
22 oz. \$7.05



Be prepared for a "brew unique". Cloudy in appearance, this is the original Belgian witbier spiced with coriander and real Curacao orange peel. White beers are referred to as "session" beers because the light refreshing taste is ideal for enjoying in quantity with friends. The brewing process used today is based on the recipe originally created by monks back in 1445. Hoegaarden is served in its trademark Hexagonal glass which maintains a cool refreshing temperature.

Stella Artois Lager
(5.2% alc/vol)
14 oz. \$5.98



This classic European lager accentuates the malt and hop character of true pils beers. A bright, golden colour served in its gaetan glass or chalice, the roots of the Artois brewery can be traced back as far as 1366. "Stella" is latin for the word star as this beer was first introduced as a Christmas beer back in 1926. As the star of the Artois brewery, Stella Artois has grown to be the best selling Belgian beer in the world. Now sold in over 60 countries, notably the number one selling beer in the U.K.

Two classic Abbey brews from Leffe. First brewed in 1240 by the Fathers of the Abbey of Notre Dame de Leffe, the monks remain involved today in all brand-related decisions.

Leffe Blonde Ale
(6.6% alc/vol)
14 oz. \$5.98



Full-flavoured and spicy ale that, when served in it's classic chalice glass, shows its rich gold colour. Over 750 years of brewing history have perfected the balance of malt, spice and alcohol. The resulting ale is rich in aroma and complex tastes and perhaps, is the smoothest 6.6% alcohol beer on the planet.

Leffe Brune Ale
(6.5% alc/vol)
14 oz. \$5.98

A rich blend of darker malts give Leffe Brune a mocha-spicy-rich flavour, with a slightly sweeter finish than Blonde. Also served in a classic chalice glass which accentuates complex aromas while tasting.

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The Esplanade Bier Markt Draught Room

The Esplanade Bier Markt is proud of its commitment to provide the ultimate beer experience to all its guests. The commitment doesn't stop with simply a long list of brands, but extends to the proper pouring and serving of top quality beer to its customers.

The Esplanade Bier Markt is one of the rare (if not only) locations in Toronto that has three different gas blends to push the beer out of the keg. This is important because:

1. None of the beer mixtures uses compressed air; therefore, no oxygen contacts the beer. This prevents oxidation from occurring and off flavours developing in the keg.
2. The three mixtures have varying amounts of nitrogen and carbon dioxide so the proper gas mixture can be applied to each beer to keep the carbonation levels in the beer exactly as the brewer intended.

The Esplanade Bier Markt also uses rinse heads that allow each beer line to be easily rinsed at any time. Combine this with a commitment to regularly scheduled cleaning of the lines, and you can see how dedicated the Bier Markt is to providing you with top quality beer.

So, enjoy your beer, and take a peek into the keg room to see where it all begins!



Beers on Tap

Canada



Church Key Cream Ale

(5% alc/vol)
16 oz. \$4.06

At the centre of the tiny hamlet of Pethrick's Corners (near Cambellford, Ontario) stands a faded, former church, recently renovated and now home to

the Church Key Brewing Company. Styled after the great Ontario ales of old, this faintly floral, lightly hopped and refreshing cream ale is the brewery's flagship brand.

Alexander Keith's India Pale Ale

(5% alc/vol)
16 oz. \$4.49
32 oz. \$8.12

Brewed in Halifax, Nova Scotia, a light-bodied, slightly higher hopped pale ale known for its smooth taste and drinkability. This is one of Canada's oldest established brands, first brewed in 1820 by Alexander Keith. Keith, a

Scotsman who learned his trade in the great brewing centres of northern England, arrived in Halifax in 1817 where he established the Keith's brewery.

Belle Gueule

(5% alc/vol)
16 oz. \$4.49

The name loosely translates to 'nice mouth,' which alone may be enough to encourage you to try this tasty lager from Montreal. The flagship of

Quebec's original craft brewery, it sports a slight sweetness at the start, a mildly bitter, hoppy body and an off-dry finish.



Chouffe Blonde

(8% alc/vol)
12 oz. \$4.06

A Belgium original now brewed in Canada! One of southern Belgium's most respected small breweries is the Brasserie d'Achouffe, renowned for a

strong blonde ale called La Chouffe. This slightly lighter, coriander-spiced brew, produced by Les Brasseurs RJ of Montréal according to an original Belgian recipe, is every bit as satisfying as the original.



Big Rock Grasshopper Wheat

(5% alc/vol)
20 oz. \$5.98

This continent's contribution to the wheat beer world is the North American wheat ale, a light, elegant brew with slight citrus notes from the wheat. Originally developed as an ale style that would appeal to lager drinkers, it's become a staple of the beer world's great summer sippers. Calgary, Alberta's Big Rock Brewery brings us an invigorating and satisfying example of the style.

Grasshopper

Blanche de Chambly

(4% alc/vol)
12 oz. \$4.49

The 'White of Chambly' is a refreshing, lightly spicy wheat beer brewed to the Belgian style by Unibroue, a critically-acclaimed craft brewery

located just outside of Montréal. By combining Québécois brewing traditions with Belgian techniques, Unibroue has developed a superb line-up of characterful ales, including this one, introduced in the early 1990's as North America's first white beer.

Carlsberg Light

(4% alc/vol)
16 oz. \$4.49
32 oz. \$8.12

A full flavoured and refreshing light lager. Along with the finest of ingredients, Light uses Carlsberg's own pure lager yeast first propagated in 1893 by Carlsberg Brewmaster Emil

Christian Hansen. As a matter of fact, Hansen was the first to propagate pure yeast, and his method is used to this day by brewers the world over.

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Beers on Tap

Canada (cont'd)



Creemore Springs Premium Lager

(5% alc/vol)
20 oz. \$5.56

It takes a special beer to generate a following as loyal as the legions of Creemore fans in southern Ontario. Inspired by the legendary pilsners of the Czech Republic, Creemore Lager

is slightly fuller-bodied, maltier and a bit sweeter than its Czech parents. It is still brewed in the same Collingwood-area brewery in which it was born in 1987.



KLB Raspberry Wheat

(4.5% alc/vol)
20 oz. \$5.98

The young Kawartha Lakes Brewing Company of Peterborough, Ontario, has built a strong following largely on the merits of this lightly fruity,

highly quenching brew. The raspberry flavour is subtle, never cloying, and combines with the light body to make a great patio beer.

Molson Canadian Lager

(5% alc/vol)
20 oz. \$5.56

One of Canada's best-selling beers, this pale golden lager has become internationally recognized thanks to its popular and somewhat

controversial 'I Am' advertising campaign. A sweetish beer, Canadian typifies the modern Canadian lager style.

Ste. André Vienna Lager

(5% alc/vol)
15 oz. \$4.06

The only product brewed by the tiny Ste. Andre Brewing Company of Guelph, Ontario, is a fine example of the Vienna lager style. Light copper

in colour, the Ste. Andre has a slight sweetness and notes of roastiness before a dry, appetizing finish. Keep an eye on the street for the company's highly unusual delivery truck: a vintage Citroen Deux Chevaux.



Griffon Extra Pale Ale

(5% alc/vol)
20 oz. \$5.56

Fans of Montréal's much-lauded Brasserie McAuslan and its venerable St. Ambroise Pale Ale (also available on tap at the Bier Markt) can rejoice

in this lighter-tasting golden ale with a dry fruitiness, brought in just for summer. The palate-cleansing, quenchingly hoppy bitterness is still there, but the crisper character of this 'extra pale' ale makes it ideal for patio season.

St. Ambroise Pale Ale

(5% alc/vol)
20 oz. \$5.56

The flagship product of one of Canada's premier craft breweries, St. Ambroise Pale Ale is a hoppy, satisfying beer that evokes memories of the great

Montreal ales of the 1940's and 1950's. With a fruity aroma and pleasantly bitter palate, it is equally tasty on its own or with a meal.

Scotch Irish Session Ale

(4% alc/vol)
20 oz. \$4.49

The quintessential British pub ale is the best bitter, also known as a 'session ale' because it's designed so that several

may be enjoyed over the course of an evening, or 'session.' This Ottawa-brewed Session Ale is true to its name, with a lightly fruity, moderately bitter body and dry, appetizing finish.



Sleeman Honey Brown

(5.2% alc/vol)
20 oz. \$5.56

Guelph, Ontario's Sleeman Brewery has grown from one of the province's first microbreweries into a leading national brewer, largely on the back

of its flagship Cream Ale. Its more recent success, however, has keyed upon this popular, slightly sweet lager accented by a hint of natural honey.



King Pilsner

(5% alc/vol)
16 oz. \$5.56

A recent arrival on the local beer scene is the tiny King Brewery of Nobleton, Ontario. This young brewery's first product is a thirst-slaying, full-

flavoured pilsner, successfully styled as a cross between the Czech Republic's two most famous beers, Pilsner Urquell and Budweiser Budvar (known in Ontario as Czechvar).

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Beers on Tap

England



Bass Pale Ale
(4.5% alc/vol)
20 oz. \$5.98

The internationally-recognized red triangle of Bass was the first trademark to be registered anywhere in the world, and the Pale Ale continues to sport it still. A mildly sweet, lightly floral ale, Bass is now owned by the Belgian brewing giant, Interbrew.



Blackthorn English Cider
(6% alc/vol)
22 oz. \$6.62

Because man does not live on beer alone, we are pleased to present this authentic English apple cider for summer. Slightly drier than other draught ciders available in Ontario, Blackthorn nonetheless offers all the fresh, crisp apple flavour you'd expect from a British original.

Germany



Hacker-Pschorr Weisse
(5% alc/vol)
22 oz. \$6.62

No fruit or spices are added to this German wheat beer, but its clovey, peppery aroma and lightly fruity, lemony taste might make you think otherwise. The secret is the unique German yeast, which lends the beer its cloudy appearance as well as contributing flavour and aroma. A Munich delight, served in a distinctive and elegant glass.

Beck's Lager
(5% alc/vol)
16 oz. \$5.98
36 oz. \$10.47

The Beck's Brewery was founded in the northern German port of Bremen in 1874. In the years since, its flagship lager, a lightly hoppy, dry-finishing pils known universally as simply 'Beck's,' has become the most recognized German beer brand in the world.

Warsteiner Lager
(4.8% alc/vol)
15 oz. \$4.70

Unlike most Northern German lagers, which tend to be rather assertive in their hoppiness, Warsteiner is a soft, malty-tasting pilsner. This is perhaps why Warsteiner has won over the large following that has made it Germany's best-selling beer.

Bier Markt Feature Selection

Each month, the Bier Markt is proud to present a different, specially selected draught beer. Domestic or imported, ale or lager, this brew will be available for only a short time and when it's gone, it's gone. **Ask your server or check the blackboard at the bar to see what's featured this month.**

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Plus applicable taxes

Beers on Tap

Ireland

Guinness Stout

(4.1% alc/vol)
20 oz. \$5.98

The world's most famous and best-selling stout has been brewed in Dublin since the early 19th century. What makes it so appealing is a dry, moderate roast flavour and extremely smooth character. The company claims that more than ten million pints a day are now sold in over 150 countries around the globe!

Kilkenny Cream Ale

(4.5% alc/vol)
20 oz. \$5.98

Not a cream ale in the North American sense, but a smooth, softly malty ale with a touch of the Irish to it. Like most Irish ales, Kilkenny has little hop bitterness and light butterscotch notes in its flavour.

Mexico

Dos Equis XX Amber Lager

(4.6% alc/vol)
20 oz. \$5.98



Brewed in the Vienna lager style, Dos Equis is an amber coloured beer with a light, slightly sweet body and a hint of caramel in its taste. The two X's represent the twentieth century, in celebration of which the beer was created.

Netherlands

Heineken Lager

(5% alc/vol)
20 oz. \$6.62

With a rich golden colour, it is a smooth, full bodied lager that is crisp, with a good bite. Subtle, but complex taste with malty notes balanced against a distinctive bitter taste. Brewed true to the original recipe since 1886, it is the #1 imported beer throughout the world, with around 75% of its volume sold outside Holland.

United States



Samuel Adams Boston Lager

(5.1% alc/vol)
20 oz. \$5.98

Proof that not all American beers are like making love in a canoe, it is for good reason that the lager popularly known as 'Sam' is the best-selling craft-brewed beer in the United States. This amber lager has the kind of rich, malty flavour and moderately hoppy character that makes a tempting accompaniment to a meal as well as delicious on its own.



BOTTLES & CANS



Bottles & Cans

Australia

Coopers Ale

(5.8% alc/vol)
375 ml. bottle \$5.34
(limited supply)

This bottle-conditioned ale is a sublime delight, with a light floral fruitiness and a seriously quenching character. Brewed at a family-owned brewery outside Adelaide. Excellent on the Patio with a light sandwich. Enjoy!

Belgium

Bush Ambrée

(12% alc/vol)
250 ml. bottle \$6.41

The strongest beer brewed in Belgium, Bush is a formidable and satisfying ale with a complex maltiness in the body and a drying and warming finish. The brewery's name is Dubuisson; 'buisson' being French for bush.

Corsendonk Plater

(7.5% alc/vol)
330 ml. bottle \$6.41

A malty, raisiny brew in the style of an abbey dubbel ale. While its name might evoke the image of an isolated monastery, the Pater Noster is actually brewed under contract by the Van Steenberge brewery in east Flanders.

Duvel

(8.5% alc/vol)
330 ml. bottle \$7.18

A sparkling, pale golden brew with a smooth and slightly fruity taste that belies its high alcohol content. "This is a Devil of a beer," observed one brewery worker when he tasted the first brew in 1923 and the name Duvel, Flemish for 'devil', was born.

Duvel Magnum

(8.5% alc/vol)
1500 ml. bottle \$42.52
(limited supply)

Since 1871 the Moortgat family has been crafting fine beers in the town of Bredonk. Their flagship beer is Duvel, considered by many authorities to be one of the finest beers produced in Belgium and, for that matter, anywhere in the World. This beer is meant for sharing.

Floreffe Dubbel

(6.3% alc/vol)
330 ml. bottle \$6.41

The southern Belgian brewery Lefebvre produces this classic example of an abbey-style dubbel. Typically malty, this is a fabulous food beer with a fruity start and a spicy, not-too-sweet body.

Gouden Carolus

(8% alc/vol)
330 ml. bottle \$6.41

Named after a gold coin from the era of Charles V, Gouden Carolus is a strong, medium-bodied ale spiced with orange peel and coriander. Silky smooth and lightly fruity, it makes a fine after-dinner digestif.

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Liefmans Goudenband

(9% alc/vol)
375 ml. bottle \$6.41

A northern Belgian classic! Goudenband is a typical Flemish brown ale, aged in wood and sporting a sweet-and-sour, slightly nutty character that makes it a natural partner to beef dishes.

Maredsous 8

(8% alc/vol)
330 ml. bottle \$6.41

Moortgat, the brewery that produces the renowned Duvel, also brews this abbey-style dubbel. A highly enjoyable, mellow, fruity-chocolaty ale pours with a rocky white head.

Mort Subite Framboise

(4.5% alc/vol)
375 ml. bottle \$7.91

This lightly tart lambic beer is given added 'bite' by the addition of raspberry. The beer's name means 'sudden death' and is taken from a dice game played by labourers just before returning to work.

Mort Subite Gueuze

(4.5% alc/vol)
375 ml. bottle \$7.91
(limited supply)

Founded in 1686, this is one of only a handful of breweries left in Belgium which still produces authentic, spontaneously fermented, barrel-aged lambic beers. A blend of young and old unflavoured lambics. Almost cider-like in taste.

Mort Subite Pêche

(4.5% alc/vol)
375 ml. bottle \$7.91
(limited supply)

A sweetish, peach-flavoured lambic from the De Keersmaecker brewery. The beer shares its name with the Mort Subite café, one of the most beautiful examples of *fin du siècle* architecture in Brussels.

Saison Dupont

(6.5% alc/vol)
250 ml. bottle \$5.00
(limited supply)

Simultaneously refreshing and satisfying, this southern Belgian ale combines a distinct happiness with a mild but complex fruitiness and a hint of peppery spice. Truly a beer for any season.

Straffe Hendrik Brune

(8.5% alc/vol)
250 ml. bottle \$5.34

Its moniker means 'Strong Henry,' and at 8.5% alcohol, it's well-named. One of two beers brewed at this house-brewery in the picturesque town of Bruges, the Brune is deep brown and richly malty.

Verboten Vrucht

(9.0% alc/vol)
330 ml. bottle \$7.91
(limited supply)

Brewed at the Hoegaarden brewery in the town of the same name, this is a strong, fruity and lightly spicy brown ale. The name means 'Forbidden Fruit' and the label illustration can be seen in the front dining room of the Bier Markt.

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TRAPPIST BEERS

Although brewing was once commonplace at abbeys across Europe, there remains today but a handful of these monastic breweries. The most famous are the celebrated Trappist breweries of Belgium -- Achel, Chimay, Orval, Rochefort, Westmalle and Westvleteren. While the size of the breweries and the types of ales produced varies dramatically from abbey to abbey, each one must meet stringent criteria in order to maintain its Trappist designation. We are pleased to present for your enjoyment a selection of six Trappist ales from Belgium and one close Dutch cousin.

CHIMAY

The most widely-recognized and best-selling Trappist ales are brewed at the Abbey Notre-Dame de Scourmont in the deep south of Belgium. The monastery's entire range of ales is represented here.

Chimay Blue

(9% alc/vol)
330 ml. bottle \$8.76

This aromatic, lively, rich ale has a medium-sweet middle, with gently drier suggestions of thyme, pepper, sandalwood, and nutmeg in the finish. An excellent beer to accompany with or as dessert.

Chimay Première

(7% alc/vol)
750 ml. bottle \$17.31

In the small bottle version, this is known as Chimay Red. One of the more accessible of the Trappist beers, Première is softly malty with notes of spice and blackcurrant and plum fruitiness. The bottle size is ideal for sharing as you would a bottle of wine.

Chimay Red

(7% alc/vol)
330 ml. bottle \$8.76

This is the smaller, 'single serving' size of the Chimay Première. Because the bottle fermentation acts differently in large and small bottles, however, it could be argued that the Red is in effect a different beer, even though the recipe is the same.

Chimay White

(8% alc/vol)
330 ml. bottle \$8.76

The hoppiest of Chimay's ales and the one least in the house character. Also known as Cinq Cents, or 'five cents,' it has an appetizing palate, moderately bitter body and a quenching note of acidity on the finish.

ORVAL

The name Orval derives from "Valley of Gold". Legend has it that a beautiful princess lost a golden ring in a lake in the valley, and swore that if God returned it to her, she would build a monastery on the site. A trout rose from the lake with the ring in its mouth, and she was good to her promise.

Orval Trappist Ale

(6.2% alc/vol)
330 ml. bottle \$8.76

A curiosity among Belgian ales, Orval is dry-hopped to give it a pleasant but significant bitterness and also inoculated with a wild yeast strain to produce a slight sourness. This connoisseur's ale is the only beer the abbey produces.

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ACHEL

The Abdij Achelse Kluis has existed on the border of Belgium and Holland since 1686, but only in 1999 did it become the first new Trappist brewery since 1931. Three ales are brewed at Achel: two lighter draught beers designed to slake the thirsts of the many thirsty cyclists who stop at the brewery cafe, and a stronger tripel-style ale for bottling.

Achel 8
(8% alc/vol)
330 ml. bottle \$8.76
(limited supply)

Although the monastery was founded in 1686, they only began brewing in 1998. This makes them the youngest Trappist Brewery in Belgium. "Tripel-style" strong, golden, bottle-conditioned ale.

ROCHEFORT

One of the least known and most secretive Trappist monasteries, the Abbey Notre-Dame de Saint-Rémy is located just outside of the town of Rochefort in the south-east of the country. Unlike other Trappist breweries which employ secular workers, much of the brewery's operations are still carried out by the brothers.

Rochefort 8
(9.2% alc/vol)
330 ml. bottle \$8.76

A luscious ale with perfectly rounded maltiness, this is actually the middle beer of the abbey's line. Dark red amber. It may be the world's finest beer for enjoying with chocolate.

WESTMALLE

The Abdij der Trappisten in the Flemish part of Belgium is where the first-ever ale in the tripel style was brewed. Today, that strong, golden ale -- the Westmalle Tripel -- is counted as one of the world's classic brews and accounts for a high percentage of the brewery's hefty annual production.

Westmalle Tripel
(9% alc/vol)
330 ml bottle \$8.76

How to describe the indescribable? This spectacular ale is a one-of-a-kind, a beer that offers different flavour notes with every sip. While often enjoyed as an aperitif, it is equally delicious with many foods and has a particularly strong affinity towards asparagus.

KONINGSHOEVEN

Founded in 1884, the Abdij Onze-Lieve-Vrouw van Koningshoeven in the Netherlands was recently removed from the 'Genuine Trappist' marketing program because the brothers sold part of the brewery to private interests. The move has not affected the La Trappe ales one bit, though, and even many Belgian Trappist brothers will admit that this remains at its heart a monastic brewery.

La Trappe Dubbel
(6.5% alc/vol)
330ml. bottle \$6.20

Another excellent beer for the table, the La Trappe Dubbel is unusual among dubbels in that it has a much drier, more reserved character than others of its style. This only accentuates its complexity, however, and makes it all the more desirable a beer.

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Belgium-Inspired Ales

From Around The Globe

Fin du Monde

(9% alc/vol)

341 ml. bottle \$5.34

Broadly in the style of a Belgian tripel, Fin du Monde is a potent and fruity ale with plenty of character to support its alcohol content. The name means 'end of the world.'

Hennepin Ale

(7.5% alc/vol)

355 ml. bottle \$9.20

Three Belgian breweries and a U.S. importing company specializing in Belgian beer teamed up to create the Brewery Ommegang in Cooperstown,

New York. This golden, lightly spicy and highly appetizing ale was the brewery's second product.

La Choulette Ambrée

(8% alc/vol)

330 ml. can \$7.95

Although little known on the world stage, the breweries of northern France produce some of Europe's most interesting ales. The aromatic, softly

fruity La Choulette is a fine example of the bière de garde style for which the region is known.

Maudite

(8% alc/vol)

341 ml. bottle \$4.91

A tempting, complex ale with a dryish, earthy mix of chocolate, fruit and spice. Borrowing from the Belgian tradition of devilish brews, the name of this classic from Unibroue translates to 'damned.'

Plus applicable taxes



Proudly brewed in Nova Scotia.
Since 1820.



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Canada

NATIONAL BREWERS

Budweiser
(5% alc/vol)
341 ml. bottle \$4.27

Anheuser-Busch launched this beer in 1876 and it has since come to typify the taste of an American lager. This version of the world's biggest selling brand of beer is locally brewed by Labatt.

John Labatt Classic
(5% alc/vol)
341 ml bottle \$4.27

Brewed from 100% barley malt with no adjuncts such as corn or rice, this lager is fuller-flavoured than most mainstream Canadian beers.

Labatt Blue
(5% alc/vol)
341 ml. bottle \$4.27

A golden blond colour with a clean light taste. First introduced as Labatt Pilsner in 1951, closer to it's European roots than other Canadian beers of the

time. Labatt Pilsner quickly set the trend for lager beers in Canada, and has the successful distinction of being named by the Canadian beer drinker as "Blue" which became the brand's official name in the early 1990's.

Molson Export
(5% alc/vol)
341 ml. Bottle \$4.27

Prior to the rise in popularity of lagers in Canada, Ex was considered a prototypical Canadian beer. A slightly fuller body and elevated hoppiness still separates it from its mainstream lager brethren.

REGIONAL BREWERS

NEW BRUNSWICK:

Moosehead Lager
(5% alc/vol)
341 ml. bottle \$4.91

This sweetish, fairly light-tasting lager has a mild hint of hop in its finish. Its slogan, 'the Moose is Loose,' made Moosehead an international sensation back in the 1970's and 1980's.

NOVA SCOTIA:

Oland Export
(5% alc/vol)
341 ml. bottle \$4.91

This is perhaps the definitive Maritime ale, still preferred by Acadians across Nova Scotia and New Brunswick. Although its roots stretch back more than a century, the Oland brewery has been owned by Labatt since 1971.

ONTARIO:

**Amsterdam Nut
Brown Ale**
(5% alc/vol)
341 ml. bottle \$5.34

A traditional ale with a deep chestnut brown colour and an uncommon smoothness and drinkability. Brewed with a blend of four Canadian and European malts, including chocolate malt from Belgium.

**Amsterdam Natural
Blonde Lager**
(5% alc/vol)
341 ml. bottle \$5.34

A rich golden colour, this is a crisp and clean, well balanced hoppy beer. The Amsterdam Brewing Company started out as Toronto's first brewpub in 1986. Seven years later it graduated to the status of a bottling craft brewery.



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REGIONAL BREWERS

ONTARIO:

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Cameron's Auburn Ale

(5% alc/vol)

341 ml. bottle \$5.34

Cameron's Brewery, located on Westside Drive in the Etobicoke region of Toronto, has broken new ground by electing to market their brew in a

unique, hand-signed, nine-pack box. Deep, rich auburn in colour with a cream long-lasting head, the Auburn offers a generous hop nose carefully balanced by a smooth finish.

Steam Whistle Pilsner

(5% alc/vol)

341 ml. bottle \$5.34

The name of the beer has nothing to do with the steam beer style, but is rather an homage to the historic railway roundhouse at the base of the CN Tower. This crisp, off-dry, German-style lager is the Steamwhistle Brewing Company's sole product.



Upper Canada Lager

(5% alc/vol)

341 ml. bottle \$5.34

A rich, classic Bavarian-style lager containing imported hops from Northern Bavaria and Canadian 2-row Pale Malt. It is krausen brewed and cold aged for a full three weeks for extra smoothness. It possesses a floral hop aroma and flavour with a malty, slightly sweet medium body.

Upper Canada Point Nine

(0.9% alc/vol)

341 ml. bottle \$3.46

Point Nine will surprise you. Like all of Upper Canada's premium lagers and ales, they only the finest imported hops and premium malted barley to deliver a rich, full European flavour with only 0.9% alcohol.

QUEBEC:

Fin du Monde

(9% alc/vol)

341 ml. bottle \$5.34

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Trois Pistoles

(9% alc/vol)

341 ml. bottle \$5.34

Trois Pistoles was launched in June of 1997. Its rich, smooth texture, and the presence of yeast used for in-bottle refermentation give it a very distinctive flavour. This dark beer and has an aroma of ripe fruit and a pleasant aftertaste that lingers like old port wine.



Unibroue 10

(10% alc/vol)

750 ml. bottle \$17.52
(limited supply)

Brewed to celebrate Unibroue's 10th anniversary. Pale gold color. Huge rocky head with great retention. Spicy aroma. Flavour is initially spicy with a mellow malt middle. A quick burst

of what almost seems to be cotton candy followed by a mellow dry finish.

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Caribbean

JAMAICA

Dragon Stout
(7.5% alc/vol)
355 ml. bottle \$4.49

A deep-brown classic beer, pleasingly bitter with a slight chocolate-malty flavour. This is the famous stout of Jamaica.

Red Stripe
(5% alc/vol)
355 ml. bottle \$4.49

This is a pale-gold, lightly hopped, full-flavoured lager with just a touch of fruitiness. Red Stripe is the #1 beer of the Caribbean.

TRINIDAD

Carib Lager
(5.2% alc/vol)
330 ml. bottle \$4.91

Like most Caribbean lagers, Carib has a light, refreshing character. What distinguishes this Trinidadian classic is its soft spiciness, a quality which contributes to its quenching appeal.

China

Tsingtao Lager
(5% alc/vol)
355 ml. bottle \$4.91

The German origins of this century-old brewery are evident in its crisp, moderately hopped pilsner. The largest brewing company in China, Tsingtao

can still only claim 5.2% of what has been described as the world's most splintered beer market.

Croatia

Karlavacko Pivo
(5% alc/vol)
500 ml. bottle \$6.41

The flagship beer of Croatia's oldest and largest brewery, this lager is amber in colour and boasts a bold, malt-dominated flavour.

Cuba

Cristal
(4.9% alc/vol)
330 ml. bottle \$4.91

One of Cuba's most popular beers, Cristal is a lightly flavourful lager with a soft but notable hoppiness. Not to be confused with the Belgian and Portuguese beers of the same name.

Cyprus

Keo Lager
(4.5% alc/vol)
355 ml. bottle \$4.91

A 'friendly' beer, pale yellow in colour with a subtle hoppy taste and a pleasing malty aroma. Brewed by one of the few remaining local brewers on the island of Cyprus.

Czech Republic

 **Czeckvar Premium Lager**
(5% alc/vol)
500 ml. bottle \$6.41

Known as Budweiser Budvar in the Czech Republic, this beer is best to enjoy alone, unspoiled by food. Clover sweet aroma and taste greet the palate

on first sip; despite its delicate and relatively uncarbonated texture, there is a rich round flavour that increases in strength and complexity.

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Czech Republic

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Radegast Premium Lager

(5.1% alc/vol)
500 ml. can \$6.41

finish. Built in 1971, the brewery has shown steady growth and is now ranked as the third largest in the country.



Pilsner Urquell

(4.4% alc/vol)
330 ml. can \$4.91

This golden-hued lager symbolically named after the Nordic god of hospitality is moderately hoppy and lightly malty, with a satisfyingly dry finish. Built in 1971, the brewery has shown steady growth and is now ranked as the third largest in the country.

Pilsner Urquell is a bottom-fermented lager beer that has been produced in Pilsen for over 150 years. Very crisp with an agreeable golden color...bubbly

body and a sharp, well-enunciated hop taste.

Denmark

Tuborg Gold Label Lager

(5% alc/vol)
341 ml. bottle \$4.91



Slightly lighter and hoppier in flavour than the better-known Danish lager from Carlsberg, Tuborg actually outsells its Copenhagen cousin in its home market. This is the brewery's top-of-the-line brand.

England



Black Sheep Ale

(4.4% alc/vol)
500 ml. bottle \$7.91
(limited supply)

The 'black sheep' is Paul Theakston, who fell out with other family members over the sale of the famous brewery that bears their name. His ale is cedary with hop aromas and flavours, and a big, dry, smooth, firm maltiness.

Boddington's Pub Ale

(4.8% alc/vol)
440 ml. can \$6.41

over the last 10 years, it is still brewed in Strangeways brewery where it was first brewed in 1778. The brewing process uses the actual hop flowers of 4 types of English hops.



Brakspear Bitter

(3.4% alc/vol)
500 ml. bottle \$7.91
(limited supply)

Rhymes with Shakespeare, the brewery, tracing its history to 1779, is on the Thames River, in the regatta town of Henley. A real ale, amber in colour, with a good fruit, hop & malt nose. Gold medal winner in Bitter best class Great British Beer Festival 2000.

Double Diamond Ale

(5% alc/vol)
440 ml. can \$6.41

Brewed in the traditional English pale ale district of Burton-on-Trent, Double Diamond was one of the first kegged English ales to appear in Ontario. For a pale ale, it has a fairly mild and malty character.

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Hobgoblin Traditional English Ale

(5.5% alc/vol)
500 ml. bottle \$7.91

Wychwood's most famous beer, Hobgoblin is a powerful full-bodied copper red, well-balanced brew. Strong in roasted malt with a moderate hoppy bitterness and slight fruity character that lasts through to the end.

Marston's Strong Pale Ale

(5.5% alc/vol)
500 ml. bottle \$7.91

Most British ales sit below 5% alcohol, so in British terms this really is a strong beer. Rounder and maltier than its brother brew, Pedigree, it also sports a distinctive nuttiness.

Newcastle Brown Ale

(4.7% alc/vol)
440 ml. can \$5.34

A highly recognizable ale from England's northeast, Newcastle Brown has made friends around the globe with its malty, nutty and faintly port-like character.



Samuel Smith's Imperial Stout

(7.6% alc/vol)
355 ml. bottle \$6.41
(limited supply)

Platinum medal and World Champion Imperial Stout at World Beer Championship. Incredibly full-bodied, robust, particularly at the end; extraordinarily rich throughout; with more than a hint of alcohol; caramel colour and burnt-currant taste fill the entire mouth.



Samuel Smith's India Ale

(5% alc/vol)
550 ml. bottle \$7.91
(limited supply)

Founded in 1758 in North Yorkshire, Smith is one of the last family-owned, independent breweries remaining in England. A restrained maltiness and an emphasis on the aroma and flavour of hops from England's finest vineyards. One of the hoppier-- and powerfully so-- English IPAs.

St. Peter's Strong Ale

(5.1% alc/vol)
500 ml. bottle \$7.91

Packaged in trademark 'flask' bottles, this well-balanced and not too terribly strong ale is the original product of the young and popular Suffolk brewery at historic St. Peter's Hall.



St. Peter's Wheat

(4.7% alc/vol)
500 ml. bottle \$7.91

St. Peter's is one of England's fastest growing microbreweries. A high proportion of premium wheat is used with modest amounts of Challenger and Goldings hop varieties to produce a light, smooth, clear, refreshing beer with a distinctive palate.

Well's India Pale Ale

(5% alc/vol)
500 ml. can \$5.34

Founded in 1876, the Charles Wells Brewery is England's largest independent, family-run brewing company. Their IPA is dry and moderately hoppy with a crisp, quenching finish.

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France

La Choulette Ambrée
(8% alc/vol)
330 ml. bottle \$7.26

Although little known on the world stage, the breweries of northern France produce some of Europe's most interesting ales. The aromatic, softly fruity La Choulette is a fine example of the bière de garde style for which the region is known.

X.O.
(8% alc/vol)
330 ml. bottle \$7.91

From deep in the heart of the Cognac region comes this warming, intensely satisfying ale blended with genuine X.O. cognac. A natural digestif beer.

Germany

Aventinus
(8% alc/vol)
500 ml. bottle \$7.26

A weizen doppelbock, or strong wheat beer, Aventinus is an enticing, chocolaty-fruity-spicy beer that defines the style. A product of the Schneider brewery, Germany's most celebrated producer of wheat beers.



Ayinger Ur-Weisse
(5.8% alc/vol)
500 ml. bottle \$6.41
(limited supply)

Centuries old family-owned brewery and inn in southern Bavaria. Selected numerous times as one of the top 10 Breweries of the year at Chicago's World Beer Championships. Fresh-baked-bread aroma, with accompanying sweet wheat flavour; malty head remains thick throughout.

DAB Pilsner
(5% alc/vol)
330 ml. bottle \$5.34

The initials stand for Dortmunder Actien Brauerei, with the first word referring to the German city of Dortmund, a northern brewing stronghold. This is a mildly hoppy lager with a suggestion of malt in the aroma and a firm, dry body.

Holsten Pilsner
(5.2% alc/vol)
500ml. can \$5.76

This golden lager has a significantly sharper hop flavour than most German beers available in Canada. Founded in 1879, the brewery rivals Beck as the leading exporter of German beer.

Konig Premium Pilsner
(4.9% alc/vol)
500ml. can \$5.76

Konig is German for 'king,' monarchs being a common theme among Rhineland breweries. Assertively dry and hoppy, this is a classically thirst quenching northern pils.



Krombacher Original Pilsner
(5% alc/vol)
330 ml. bottle \$5.34

Krombacher Pils owes its unique taste and high quality to its well-guarded brewing recipe and the superlative spring water from the Rothaargebirge hills. Clean, crisp and thirst quenching, just like a good Pils should be.



LÖWENBRÄU

Löwenbräu Lager
(5.2% alc/vol)
330 ml. bottle \$5.34

One of Munich's 'Big Six' breweries, Löwenbräu has been a presence in the Bavarian capital for centuries. Their lager is a satisfying example of the local helles, or blonde lager style.

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Paulaner Hefe-Weizen

(5.6% alc/vol)

330 ml. bottle \$5.34

There is evidence of the existence of the Paulaner brewery since 1634. They owe their name to the Paulaner monks who established themselves at the Munich Kloster Neudeck (monastery). High in effervescence and low in calories, with a crisp, refreshing fruity flavour.

Schneider Weisse

(8% alc/vol)

500 ml. bottle \$7.26

Although significantly darker in colour than other German weissbiers, Schneider Weisse is widely considered to be the classic Bavarian wheat beer. Expect notes of spice (clove, cinnamon, nutmeg) and hints of citrus and banana.

India

Kingfisher Premium Lager

(4.8% alc/vol)

355 ml. bottle \$5.76
(limited supply)

Pale yellow in colour, this is an easy-drinking brew with a slightly malty flavour. The country's top-selling beer, brewed by United Breweries since 1857.

Ireland

Caffrey's Irish Cream Ale

(4.8% alc/vol)

440 ml. can \$7.26

This ale from Northern Ireland is produced by the English brewing company, Bass. A creamy, light-tasting brew, it is packaged with a 'widget' that gives it its trademark creamy head.

Harp Lager

(5% alc/vol)

330 ml. bottle \$5.76

As Ireland has become more of a nation of lager drinkers, Harp has become its best-known lager internationally. Light gold and softly sweet, Harp also has a mild hoppiness appearing in the finish.

Smithwick's Ale

(5% alc/vol)

330 ml. bottle \$5.76

A typically Irish ale, Smithwick's is very malty, well-rounded and has notes of butterscotch in its aroma and taste. It is brewed at Ireland's oldest brewery, built in 1710.

Italy



Menabrea Pale Lager

(4.8% alc/vol)

330ml. bottle \$5.76

Menabrea is the oldest brewery in Italy and is widely acknowledged to make the Finest beers. Pale yellow appearance. Moderately light-bodied. Mild bitterness. Crisp, grainy palate with lively carbonation.

Moretti Birra Fruilana

(4.6% alc/vol)

330ml. bottle \$4.70

The Moretti brewery was founded in 1859 and this beer is Italy's biggest seller internationally. It is a light-tasting lager with a slight drying in the finish.

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Japan

Asahi Super Dry
(5% alc/vol)
330ml. can \$4.70

The original Japanese 'dry' beer, the introduction of this lager in 1987 revitalized the slumping Asahi brewery. It is a very dry beer with little in the way of malt character.

Sapporo Draft
(5% alc/vol)
650ml. can \$7.91

A pale-gold colour, with low carbonation and a thin, light taste. Brewed by the oldest continuously operating brewery in Japan, founded in 1876.

FASCINATING BEER FACT

- ▶ The first modern brewpub in North America was British Columbia's Horseshoe Bay Brewing Company; the first bottling craft brewery in Canada was the Granville Island Brewing Company in Vancouver; and Ontario's pioneer of the craft brewing renaissance was Kitchener-Waterloo's Brick Brewing Company.

Mexico

Corona Extra
(4.6% alc/vol)
355 ml. bottle \$5.77

in the world. It has a light, mellow flavour that readily accepts the addition of a wedge of lime.

Since its introduction to California in the early 1980's, Corona has become the most widely recognized Mexican beer

Sol
(4.5% alc/vol)
330 ml. bottle \$5.34

Brewed by the Femsa Cerveza, Mexico's largest brewing company, this thinnish, light-bodied lager is reportedly named after the sun that shines through its clear glass bottle.

Netherlands



Amstel Light Lager
(4% alc/vol)
355 ml. bottle \$5.34

Produced by Heineken NV and imported from Amsterdam. The beer is end-fermented and has a mildly bitter taste with a cheerful character.

Grolsch Blonde
(4.5% alc/vol)
330 ml. bottle \$5.34

A lighter version of Grolsch's better-known pilsner, the Blonde was designed for easy drinking in the summer's sun. Its crisp, refreshing character suits it well to the task.



Grolsch Premium Lager
(5% alc/vol)
473 ml. bottle \$7.26

Grolsch Premium Lager is the only type which is available in the distinctive Swingtop bottle; a glassblowers masterpiece. Clear golden color that pours a thin wispy head. Aroma of sweet malted barley and soft Euro hops.

Heineken Lager
(5% alc/vol)
330 ml. bottle \$5.77

From the world's second largest brewery comes the world's most recognized imported beer. We carry the bottled version for aficionados who prefer it to the draught version.

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New Zealand



Steinlager
(5% alc/vol)
750 ml. bottle
\$8.76

New Zealand's top beer export, Steinlager is an off-dryish lager with a lightly floral aroma. This beer is a favourite among rugby fans who follow New Zealand's legendary 'All Blacks.'

Poland

Zywiec Lager
(5.7 % alc/vol)
500 ml. bottle \$6.20

A golden Pilsner-style beer, lightly hopped with a thin, light taste delivery. Brewed by Poland's most famous brewery, founded in 1856.

Portugal



Sagres Premium Lager
(5.1% alc/vol)
330 ml. bottle \$5.34

Pale gold in colour with a sweetish, lightly malty palate, this is Portugal's best-selling beer. Its name comes from the southwestern Cape Sagres, former home to Henry the Navigator and once thought the end of the world.

Super Bock Lager
(5.8% alc/vol)
330 ml. bottle \$5.34

The number two selling beer in Portugal has a lightly fruity body and mellow sweetness. Its somewhat confusing name notwithstanding, it is an ordinary lager and not a bock.

Scotland



McEwan's Scotch Ale
(8% alc/vol)
330 ml. bottle \$ 5.34

A deep mahogany color with a decent head. The high alcohol, 8% is predominant. Very assertive, tangy caramel and prune with a bittersweet finish.

Tennent's Lager
(5% alc/vol)
330 ml. bottle \$5.34

A golden lager with a clean, malty aroma, taste and finish. First brewed in 1885, it's the #1 selling beer in Scotland.



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United States

Hennepin Ale
(7.5% alc/vol)
355 ml. bottle \$6.20

Three Belgian breweries and a U.S. importing company specializing in Belgian beer teamed up to create the Brewery Ommegang in Cooperstown, NY. This golden, lightly spicy and highly appetizing ale was the brewery's second product.

Michelob Lager
(5% alc/vol)
355 ml. bottle \$5.34

Originally launched more than a century ago, Michelob could be considered a slightly bigger-bodied version of an American lager. It is produced by Anheuser-Busch, the world's biggest brewer.



Rogue Brutal Bitter
(6% alc/vol)
650ml. bottle \$9.19
(limited supply)

The local Rogue River gives its name to this microbrewery, founded in 1988, in Newport, Oregon. Across cross between a very extra special bitter and an IPA. Light in colour with a huge hop aroma and a citrus finish. Bronze Medal 2000 International Beer Summit.



Rogue Imperial Stout
(11% alc/vol)
207 ml. bottle \$7.91
(limited supply)

Deserving the title "Emperor of Ales", Imperial is the strongest and fullest of all stouts. Pours a bit like motor oil. A small creamy brown head disappears within seconds. A unique sweet/roasty mix in the aroma. Thick black appearance with fine sediment.

Rogue Old Crustacean
(11.5% alc/vol)
207 ml. bottle \$7.91

Old Crusty,' as it is known, is one of the most intensely hoppy and flavourful beers brewed in North America. Approach with caution; enjoy in moderation.



Smuttnose Robust Porter
(5.7% alc/vol)
355 ml. bottle \$5.34
(limited supply)

The name was taken from Smuttynose Island, which is part of the Isles of Shoals, a small, rocky archipelago that lies seven miles off the coast of New Hampshire. A rich, full-bodied dark ale with a smooth malty palate, moderate hops and hints of coffee & chocolate.



Victory Hop Devil India Pale Ale
(6.7% alc/vol)
355 ml. bottle \$6.20
(limited supply)

Not many breweries are begun on a school bus by two fifth graders. But then again, not many breweries are Victory. Bold, spicy and menacingly delicious, this American-hopped India Pale Ale offers an aromatic punch and then follows through with a lasting, full-bodied finish.



Victory Whirlwind Witbier
(5% alc/vol)
355 ml. bottle \$6.20
(limited supply)

Founded in 1996, Victory has quickly grown to become of the Northeast U.S.'s most acclaimed micros. Offering a tamed tempest of flavours both spicy and sublime, this softly fermented ale greets the nose and tingles the tongue. Imported Belgian yeast charges Whirlwind with an energy all its own.



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