

# TASTING NOTES

## Brew Buddies - Swanley

### 1. Earl Grey Mild Speciality 4.0%

Pale malt with crystal chocolate Munich malts and oats give this mild a complex malt backbone. Hopped with Kent Goldings for a smooth mild bitterness and steeped with Earl Grey tea for subtle tea and bergamot flavours.

## Arbor - Bristol

### 2. Mosaic Pale 4.0%

This beer is **gluten-free**. Heavily hopped Session Pale Ale, brewed to showcase the Mosaic hop. Refreshing and easy drinking beer with floral tropical fruit flavours and aromas.

## Atom - Hull

### 3. Schrödinger's Cat Pale 3.5%

Schrödinger's Cat is a paradox, as is this beer. Brewed to be low in alcohol, but full in body. A strong malt backbone supports a one-two punch of Mosaic and Citra hops.

### 4. Quantum State Pale 4.2%

Extra pale malt, with some body from the addition of oats, a simple but selective malt bill allows the five American hop varieties to shine.

## Beatnikz Republic - Manchester

### 5. Spring Pale 3.6%

An easy drinking Pale Ale using Hallertau Blanc and Ella hops with balanced hop character and bitterness. Unfiltered & naturally hazy.

## Bexley Brewery

### 6. Session Ruby Red 3.7%

Session Ruby is an easy drinking Kentish Ruby Ale brewed with with crystal malt and English Goldings. It's rich, malty, biscuity, with hints of caramel and a pleasant hop-bitterness to finish.

### 7. Hills and Holes Pale 3.8%

House beer of the brewery's Bird and Barrel micropub tap room. A light amber pale ale with lots of Kent Challenger and Fuggles hops.

### 8. Anchor Bay IPA 4.8%

Named after the stretch of the river Thames next to the brewery, this IPA is brewed with blend of two American whole leaf hops, Mosaic & Cascade.

## Black Isle - Inverness

### 9. Red Kite Amber 4.2%

Glowing Amber appearance with flavours of roast malt, toffee and biscuit. Pacific Gem, Simcoe, Cascade and Rakau hops are used.

## Brass Castle - Malton (N. Yorks)

### 10. Bad Kitty Porter 5.5%

A chewy chocolate-vanilla porter. which earned its name from the antics of the two original brewhouse cats, who delighted in mischievously supervising proceedings.

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### 11. Wokka Lite Pale 3.8%

Wokka Lite has a simple grain bill of pale and Vienna malt which allows the big resinous and tropical flavours of American Chinook and Mosaic hops to shine.

### 12. Black IPA 4.8%

A beer brewed with black and chocolate malt added in the sparge to impart the black colour usually associated with stout and porters. A rather toasty character with citrusy flavour.

### 13. Beckenham Bunny Pale 6.0%

Brewed just for this festival. Jammed full of juicy American hops! A pale malt body with a touch of wheat and Vienna and then hopped with Centennial at the end of the boil for flavour and aroma and then crazy amounts of Mosaic and Zythos during fermentation.

## Brighton Bier

### 14. Heydaze Pale 4.0%

An unfiltered/vegan pale ale showcasing Mandarina Bavaria alongside a selection of American hops.

## Bristol Beer Factory

### 15. Nova Pale 3.8%

Maris Otter, Carapils and wheat malt allow the bright, fresh and zesty hop aromas to shine - underpinned by herbal and floral notes. Cluster, Nugget, Hallertau and Mosaic hops.

### 16. Subtropic Pale 4.4%

Brewed using two unusual hops - Ekuantot and Azacca! Lush tropical fruit and citrus flavours abound in this Uber-pale tropical ale, all in balance with a clean malt bill.

## **Intrepid - Derbyshire**

### **17. Single Hop** **Pale 4.5%**

One of a series of single-hopped beers produced by this small brewery. In this case the Austrian Styrian Dragon hop is used.

## **Northern Whisper - Lancashire**

### **18. Oppenchops** **Golden 4.0%**

Golden ale, brewed using low-colour malts and Simcoe, Magnum and Summit hops.

## **Wilde Child - Leeds**

### **19. Chasing Epiphany** **APA 4.8%**

Classic American Pale ale brewed from this Yorkshire microbrewery using citra and Mosaic hops.

## **East London Brewing**

### **20. Foundation** **Amber 4.2%**

Foundation is an amber best bitter, with a good balance of maltiness and a refreshingly crisp bitter finish. Flavoured with a blend of English and New Zealand hops.

### **21. Cowcatcher** **APA 4.8%**

Named after the grille at the front of the old US steam trains, this is an American Pale Ale, generously hopped and full bodied. Refreshing and a great summer beer.

## **Fyne Ales - Argyll (Scotland)**

### **22. Jarl** **Pale 3.8%**

Light and golden colour with a strong citrus and hop aroma. Citrus and grassy hop flavours dominate the palate with a light and refreshing dry finish. Multi award winning, including Champion Beer of Scotland.

## **Gun - Sussex**

### **23. Parabellum** **Milk Stout 4.1%**

Dark and delicious, a rich jet black milk stout made with a combination of barley, oats, wheat and roasted chocolate malts. The result is a satisfying balance of coffee, vanilla and chocolate notes and a full malt base. Unfiltered, **contains lactose**.

### **24. Red Ale** **Red 4.4%**

The brewery's take on an English Bitter. Except it's more than that. Six malts combine with German, UK and Kiwi hops. Unfiltered, naturally hazy, and **suitable for vegans**.

### **25. Zamzama** **IPA 6.5%**

A rounded malt body meets an avalanche of hops. Mango, lychee, grapefruit. This beer is unfiltered, so may have a natural haze. It is suitable for vegans.

## **Ilkley - Yorkshire**

### **26. Pale** **Pale 4.2%**

Multi award-winning New World pale ale. Crisp and dry, with a zesty and fresh-cut grass aroma. Powerfully hopped for a floral finish.

### **27. Rombald** **Amber 4.6%**

Complex malt characters of biscuit and honey, finished with a crisp and fruity hop flavour. Depth, body and bite befitting the local giant from which it takes its name.

## **Kirkstall - Leeds**

### **28. Dexter Chilli & Chocolate** **Speciality 4.5%**

The latest in a series of dark Dexter beers from this brewery located by the side of the Leeds and Liverpool Canal.

## **Mad Squirrel - Hemel Hempstead**

### **29. Peachy 5th** **Speciality 4.2%**

This pale ale has been brewed with fresh peaches and lactose, plus an abundance of new world hops for a smooth, full mouthfeel and an incredibly fruity flavour profile

### **30. London Porter** **Porter 5.0%**

A complex dark ale with lurking notes of coffee, chocolate and smoke.

## **Mallinsons - Huddersfield**

### **31. Chinook** **APA 4.0%**

A single hopped beer, brewed using only US Chinook hops. The beer has a golden colour with a light citrus hop nose, bitter lightly citrusy taste and a long bitter slightly dry finish.

## **Northern Whisper - Lancashire**

### **32. Soft Mick** **Pale 3.8%**

Tasty session beer, with a flavour of herbs and tropical fruit.

### **33. Beltie** **Stout 4.8%**

This stout is strong, bold and rich in flavour, brewed with Magnum and Target hops, and a variety of dark malts. The spent grain is fed to the brewery's herd of Belted Galloway cattle.

## **One Mile End - East London**

**34. Great Tom** **Mild 3.8%**  
Complex dark mild with hints of coffee, cocoa and vanilla in the taste. Slightly roasty bitter finish.

## **Park - Kingston upon Thames**

**35. Summer Pale** **3.7%**  
Easy drinking pale ale with an aroma of citrus. Not too hoppy on the bitterness.

**36. Gallows Gold** **APA 4.0%**  
Gallows is our version of an American Pale Ale. brewed with Simcoe and Cascade hops. The beer is fruity, sweet and well rounded with hints of mangoes and lots of aroma.

## **Red Willow - Macclesfield**

**37. Effortless** **NZPA 3.7%**  
Ultra pale and refreshing with lots of body, heavily hopped with Nelson Sauvin for a full fruity flavour.

## **Redemption/Kernel - London**

**38. Victorian Mild** **Mild 6.0%**  
This is a collaboration beer from two London breweries - Redemption of Tottenham and Kernel of South-East London. Dark-brown in colour with a malty aroma, and flavours of chocolate, nuts and licorice. Deceptively easy to drink given the high abv.

## **Salopian - Shropshire**

**39. Lemon Dream** **Speciality 4.5%**  
A shimmering golden ale that is brewed using organic lemons which adds beautifully subtle zesty aromas and a citrus filled fruity finish. This beer has won many awards including SIBA National Champion Speciality beer.

## **Saltaire - West Yorkshire**

**40. Cascade Pale Ale** **Pale 4.8%**  
An American-style pale ale with the good bitterness, piney, resinous aromas and the citrus and grapefruit flavours of the Cascade and Centennial hop. A popular regular at this festival.

## **Signature - Leyton**

**41. Roadie** **IPA 4.3%**  
This all-night IPA loads up notes of citrus fruits including grapefruit and lime. Citra is the only hop used.

**42. Studio Pilsner** **Speciality 4.0%**  
A crystal clear cask pilsner that offers the last word in crisp refreshment. European hops are amplified by the simple clarity of water, yeast and malt resulting in unmistakable floral hits and a pleasingly bitter finish

## **Siren Craft - Berkshire**

**43. Yulu** **Speciality 3.6%**  
A pale ale made with lemon zest and loose leaf Ear Grey tea. It has a hoppy bitterness, bergamot and orange notes, and a peach and apricot finish.

**44. Suspended in Enigma** **Pale 4.0%**  
This is one in a series of experimental single-hop beers brewed by Siren, this one using the new Enigma hop from Australia.

## **Southey - Penge (Bromley)**

Southey is currently the only commercial brewer in the Bromley CAMRA branch area. All their beers are unfinned.

**45. Pale** **3.8%**  
Our pale is an easy drinking classic, session strength, balanced bitterness with American hops giving an aroma of citrus fruit and slight spiciness.

**46. Best Bitter** **4.5%**  
This is our best version of the kind of beer Britain traditionally does best, a caramel coloured malt forward classic, balanced to perfection with East Kent Goldings hops. Fruity, spicy, thirst quenching and delicious.

**47. Oatmeal Stout** **5.5%**  
A classic oatmeal stout, made with a blend of 3 dark grains in the mash lending classic, roasty dark chocolate flavours blended with oatmeal for creamy smoothness. De-bittered black malt is added during the sparging process to lend an edge of espresso coffee and dark chocolate. Kent Goldings hops provided rounded bittering and aroma for a smooth, full flavoured and slightly sweet finish.

## **Squawk - Manchester**

**48. TYTO** **Stout 6.2%**  
Very bitter creamy smooth pitch-black chocolate and coffee flavoured stout from a brewery who are something of a dark beer specialist.

## **Staggeringly Good - Hampshire**

### **49. Trapped in Amber Session 3.2%**

It may have a modest abv but this hop bomb will play havoc on the tastebuds with giant double dry hopped doses of Citra, Mosaic, Chinook and Centennial.

### **50. Dawn Stealer Black IPA 5.2%**

Heavily hopped with Amarillo this beer blends notes of dark berries with rich roasted malts.

## **Thornbridge - Derbyshire**

### **51. Crackendale APA 5.2%**

The beer provides a tropical fruit aroma, giving way to guava and ripe citrus which excite the palate with a beautiful bitter and sweet balance.

## **Titanic - Staffordshire**

### **52. Steerage Bitter 3.8%**

Pale yellow-coloured bitter. Flavours start with hops and fruit but become zesty and refreshing in this light session beer with a long dry finish.

## **Tiny Rebel - Newport (Wales)**

### **53. Cherry Bomb Speciality 5.0%**

Explosively sour, Cherry Bomb is packed full of sweet cherries that round off this modern take on a kriel. The sourness resonates before the rich flavour of cherry kicks in.

## **Marble - Manchester**

### **54. Uppé Hela Natten Porter 5.1%**

A Macchiato Porter using Takk coffee and a dash of lactose. The espresso profile beans lend a subtle hit of sweet caramel and honeydew whilst adding a rich depth to the cacao malt base. The beer name is Swedish.

## **Torrside - Peak District (Derbys)**

### **55. Yellow Peak APA 4.2%**

Despite the brewery's Peak District location, the name is taken from the two main hops, Amarillo and Summit, which with Mosaic give this American pale ale its fruity flavour and aroma.

## **Twisted Barrel - Coventry**

### **56. Beast of a Midlands Mild 3.5%**

A traditional Midlands style mild made using a complex variety of malts to provide a rich, textured backbone that belies its minimal strength. The addition of vanilla pods provides a creamy finish and aroma.

## **Westerham – Kent**

### **57. Finchcocks Golden 3.5%**

Mid-gold session beer with hints of the Burton snatch on the nose, while wisps of citrus fruit float around in the background. The palate sings with citrus notes, a hint of resinous hoppiness as well as a crunchy biscuitiness that comes from the malt. The finish boasts more bitterness before a fade-out of grain dryness that reveals the beer's grainy origins.

### **58. Summer Perle Golden 3.8%**

This golden ale is hopped with Kent First Gold, Yakima Valley Cascade from the USA and Hallertauer Perle hops from Germany which impart a citrus, spicy and floral finish to this summer ale. Originally a seasonal beer, the beer has proved so popular that it is now brewed all round the year.

### **59. Spirit of Kent Pale 4.0%**

The Spirit of Kent is hopped with 9 different types of Kent bred hops in a total of 9 separate additions. Most of the hops are picked and dried at the National Trust's only hop garden in Lamberhurst, Kent.

### **60. Grasshopper Red 3.8%**

A dark, malty red ale with nutty, roasted notes from the chocolate malt. This session bitter is hopped with Kent Target hops from the National Trust's hop farm at Scotney Castle and Finchcocks' Kent Goldings. A satisfying and flavoursome pint.

### **61. British Bulldog Amber 4.1%**

A rich, full bodied best bitter in the traditional Kent style. Finest Maris Otter pale ale malt and crystal malt for colour and richness. Hopped with local Kent Northdown and Finchcocks' Whitbread Golding Variety and finished in the Hop Rocket with Progress hops from Scotney Castle and Goldings from Finchcocks hop garden for a full flavour and aroma.

### **62. Audit Ale Strong Ale 6.2%**

A strong ale, brewed to the 1938 strength and using the same ingredients as the original best selling bottled beer of the Black Eagle Brewery. At the 2nd SIBA South East of England beer festival the beer took the Gold Medal in the strong ales category. Since then Audit Ale has gone on to win a range of regional and national awards including SIBA Supreme Champion Cask Beer two years in a row.

## **Wild Beer Co - Somerset**

### **63. Yacht Casual Speciality 4.1%**

This beer is brewed by Wild Beer in collaboration with the Magic Rock brewery from Huddersfield. The result is a pale American Wheat beer brewed using Simcoe and Azzaca hops.

## **Williams Bros - Alloa (Scotland)**

### **64. Birds and Bees Golden 4.3%**

Brewed for the summer evenings, this bright, golden ale is a blend of lager malt, Cascade, Amarillo & Nelson Sauvin hops with a late infusion of elderflower. Fruity, aromatic and deliciously refreshing.

*Many of the beers at this year's festival are unfiltered. Unfiltered beers do not contain any added cask finings and therefore may be naturally hazy. The taste is not affected.*

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