

About the beer list.....

Although a Duopoly still exists in Australia's beer market, with the masses of beers being homogenous pale lagers that are pasteurised and filled with adjuncts, a recent rise in craft brewing has embarked. New micro breweries have been popping up across the country, as well as the large companies now offering some beers with greater diversity and character. This list is designed to showcase and celebrate the talent of local brewers and the range of styles they are creating, replicating or reviving. A beer for everyone can be found, with the majority being independently owned, hand crafted using natural ingredients and produced in small batches. Further, most are bottle conditioned, where the beer is kept fresh as live yeast is still present in the bottle and further developing the beer's profile. Some international beers and a speckle of mainstream beers have been included to round out the ever changing list.

Time to enjoy.....

Cider ABV \$

**Henry of Harcourt Premium Cider      Harcourt, VIC      500ml      9%      9.5**

Made at a family run orchard one hour north of Melbourne, this is a full-bodied cider made from pink lady and Cider Apples. This bottle conditioned real cider demolishes the sweet and sickly mainstream products that are prevalent in Australia.

Domestic Ales

**Two Metre Tall Cleansing Ale      Derwent Valley, TAS      330ml      4.9%      8.5**

An aptly named beer, this cleansing ale is sure to quench your thirst. Using natural ingredients from regional Tasmania, the Two Metre Tall Company is an environmentally conscious brewery, producing real ales that are bottle conditioned with no preservatives.

**Red Hill Golden Ale      Red Hill South, VIC      330ml      5.0%      8.0**

A fresh tasting, light-bodied beer. This is a smooth, delightful golden that's all natural, bottled conditioned and uses hops grown on their own estate. Simply, Yum!

**Red Duck Pale Ale      Camperdown, VIC      330ml      4.5%      8.0**

A pleasingly delicate pale ale, more in the English style. All natural with no preservatives and a beautiful floral hop presence. This bottled conditioned beauty has a delightful hop aroma with medium bitterness.

**3 Ravens Blond      Thornbury, VIC      330ml      5.2%      8.0**

A smooth ale in the style of German Altbier. All natural and bottled conditioned, 3 Ravens Blond soothes the palate with soft malt, while a touch of spiciness comes from Czech Saaz Hops.

**Barrons Extra Special Bitter      Woollahra, NSW      330ml      4.7%      8.0**

Unlike mass-marketed Australian "bitter" beers, Barrons ESB is brewed true to style. Top fermented and all natural, this is a nice Australian interpretation of a classic English style.

**Lord Nelson Three Sheets      Sydney, NSW      330ml      4.9%      8.0**

Coming from Sydney's oldest licensed hotel and first boutique brewpub, 3 sheets ale is a refreshing, all-malt, bottle conditioned pale with a nice floral bitterness.

**Alpha Brewers Reserve Pale Ale      Fremantle, WA      345ml      5.2%      9.0**

Cascade hops dictate the palate, while pale malt (with a touch of crystal malt) provides a firm backing. American style pale ale, with hops higher in alpha acids than their English pale ale counterparts.

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Imported wheat beers continued...

**Timmermans Gueuze**                      **Senne Valley, Belgium**    **250ml**                      **5.0%**                      **9.0**

Lambics are reminiscent of ancient beer, where spontaneous fermentation takes place by wild yeast before being aged in oak. Gueuze Lambics are a blend of young (1 year) and old (2-3+ years). The young beers partially unfermented material ensures a secondary fermentation in the bottle to create a complex, sour, refreshingly unique style preserved by aged hops.

**Weihenstephaner Kristal**                      **Freising, Germany**    **500ml**                      **5.4%**                      **11.0**

A classic filtered wheat beer from the world's oldest commercial brewery, established in 1040. Germany's special top fermenting yeast presents popular notes of banana and clove. A refreshing, smooth and faultless beer from a well respected brewery.

**Emerson's Weissbier**                      **Dunedin, New Zealand**    **500ml**                      **5.0%**                      **12.0**

From the largest independently owned brewery in New Zealand, Emersons have created a well balanced, tasty hefeweizen, a classic style loved by so many. Using an authentic Bavarian yeast strain, this cloudy wheat beer will keep you satisfied till the final sip.

**Belle-Vue Kriek**                      **Senne Valley, Belgium**    **375ml**                      **5.1%**                      **9.0**

A lambic beer has been aged in oak for 2 years, then macerated with cherries and aged a further year. A little sweeter than most, it loses some of the tartness classically associated with this style (presumably to appeal to a wider audience). Still refreshing, and much more interesting than a RTD!

Imported Lagers

**DAB Original**                      **Dortmund, Germany**    **330ml**                      **5.0%**                      **8.5**

Highly drinkable with a clean taste coming from German Noble Hops. Related to Bavarian Pilsners, Dortmund Export Lagers are uniquely brewed with hard water from local sources high in mineral content, a contrast to Bohemian pilsners that are brewed with soft water.

**Staropramen**                      **Prague, Czech Republic**    **330ml**                      **5.0%**                      **8.5**

A classic bohemian pilsner still brewed on the same site as in 1869. Local malt and Zatec Saaz hops are used to brew this highly influential traditional style: characteristic of high carbonation, soft malt and aromatic hops.

**Trumer Pils**                      **Salzburg, Austria**    **330ml**                      **4.9%**                      **8.5**

A refreshing delight brewed from a mixture of Austrian and German malt and hops. Unlike German pilsners, the bitter finish is evident but doesn't linger as the malt husk is removed prior to mashing. The brewery prides themselves on their champagne-like, dense and tight bubbles.

**Monteiths Black**                      **Auckland, New Zealand**    **330ml**                      **5.2%**                      **8.5**

Five different malts make up this wonderful treat. Not too thick and heavy like some, Monteiths black is more like a German Schwarzbier, full of flavour (chocolate, coffee and toasted malt are predominate) yet still refreshing with a lovely hop bitterness. Interestingly, this is a bottom fermented beer (lager yeast) but brewed in ale conditions.