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Somewhat Lacking

Greetings!

I've just returned from a week's holiday in sunny Dartmouth in Devon. Whilst the break was much needed, I was disheartened by the complete lack of craft beer on offer in this bustling tourist town.

Despite the abundance of pubs, hotels, swanky bars and bistros, craft beer was noticeable by its complete absence. Given the proximity to renowned breweries such as Verdant and Yonder, and the many familiar craft names in the Bristol area, the lack of local craft offerings was truly disappointing.

In the end, I had to resort to having a delivery from Track Brewing sent directly to my holiday villa.

It's great to be back!

Cheers!



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Brewer's Corner

The latest news and views articles collated from the world of beer.



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New Government Honeymoon Shortlived

Seems like the honeymoon period for the new Government could be over as far as the Hospitality sector is concerned, as the industry starts to count the cost of the National Living Wage being enforced.

[READ THE ARTICLE](#)

England Run Not As Good For Beer Sales as Expected

The NIQ Daily Drinks Tracker had some sobering news this week, which indicated that most drinkers avoided the pub in between the big Euro matches, so the net result was not the overall boost to takings which might have been expected by England's run to the Final.



[READ THE ARTICLE](#)



Alcohol And Health

At Beervana, Jeff Alworth has some thoughtful reflection on a couple of articles which take opposing views on the impact of alcohol on our health.

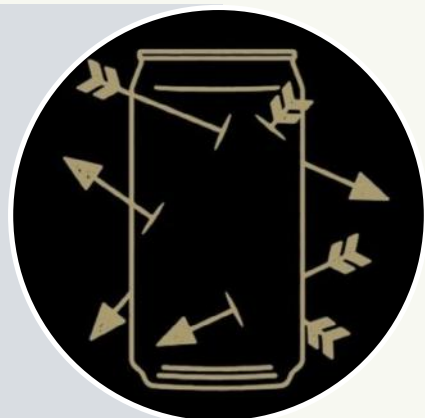
[READ THE ARTICLE](#)

Goodbye Good Beer Hunting

Finally two links which say goodbye to Good Beer Hunting, the brilliant Chicago-based media group, which inspired many to think and write more seriously about Craft Beer.

[LINK ONE](#)

[LINK TWO](#)



Beer of the Week

Camino

8.0% New England DIPA

by Beak Brewery



Created in collaboration with Garage Beer Co, Barcelona, this India Pale Ale is brewed with oats, wheat and copious additions of Luminosa hops, along with a dash of orange peel. Soft, bright and juicy with flavours of peach, mango, lemonade and candied orange peel.

[WEBSITE](#)

WE'LL DO THE LABELS YOU DO THE TASTE

*The perfect partnership that tantalises the tastebuds,
allowing our decoration to deliver the temptation.*



Taproom Review



STEVE P

TWICB CO-FOUNDER

The Barrel Project

80 Druid St, Bermondsey, London SE1 2HQ

Tucked under the historic rail archways of Bermondsey lies The Barrel Project, a distinctive taproom and conditioning space that is part of the renowned London Beer Factory. Situated along the iconic Bermondsey Beer Mile, this taproom offers an unforgettable experience for craft beer enthusiasts and casual drinkers alike.



From the moment you approach The Barrel Project, the allure of the railway arches sets the tone for an inviting and unique venue. Upon stepping inside, the space opens up into a spacious cavern, with one wall adorned with an impressive display of beer barrels. The setting is much more atmospheric and cozy than a typical taproom, making it a perfect spot to relax and enjoy some exceptional brews.

Taproom Review

The Barrel Project boasts 24 taps, featuring an array of house barrel-aged craft beers and a curated selection from some of the best breweries worldwide. The selection is outstanding, catering to both adventurous palates and those who prefer more traditional brews.



Fans of wild ales, sour, and nitro stouts will find themselves in beer heaven, while options like lagers and session IPAs ensure there's something for everyone.

This taproom is not just about the beer; it's a social hub. The vibrant atmosphere is enhanced by friendly staff who are passionate about their craft and eager to share their knowledge. Given its popularity, the space is often bustling with patrons, so booking in advance is highly recommended to secure a spot, especially on weekends.

Taproom Review

Seating is available both inside and outside, accommodating various preferences and weather conditions. Whether you choose to sit under the arches or enjoy the outdoor ambiance, you're in for a treat.



Complementing the stellar beer selection is a small kitchen kiosk that serves up delicious homemade burgers and classic pub fare. The food perfectly matches the quality of the beers, making for a well-rounded and satisfying visit.

In summary, The Barrel Project is a must-visit on the Bermondsey Beer Mile. It offers an exceptional selection of beers, delightful food, and an atmosphere that is both inviting and unique. Whether you're a seasoned beer aficionado or just beginning your craft beer journey, The Barrel Project promises an experience that will leave you eager to return.

The Barrel Project is closed Monday and Tuesday but open the rest of the week. Check their website for latest opening times.

<https://thebarrelproject.co.uk/>



The Podcast with Balance Brewing & Blending

You can listen to the Podcast by downloading through the normal channels, including Apple and Spotify from 4am Monday.



EPISODE 207 - BALANCE BREWING & BLENDING

Join Rob, as he chats with Will (left) and James of Balance Brewing & Blending who produce mixed-culture, barrel fermented wild and sour beers brewed in Manchester.

BEER NAME	CHECK-INS	STYLE	ABV	RATING
Saison De Maison	533	Saison	6.0%	3.93
Fools Gold	359	Wild Ale	6.0%	3.96
Creak	352	Wild Ale	6.5%	3.96

LISTEN HERE

Location: 10 Sheffield St, Manchester M1 2ND
Website: <https://balancebrewing.co/>

Beer Name of the Week

Brewers are always coming up with great names for their latest brews, so we thought it's about time we noticed some of them.

Pathological Lager

5.5% Lager

By Rainy Daze Brewing Co.

This American style Lager pours bright and clear from being lagered many weeks in the tank.





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Craft BEERings

UK Craft Beer Festivals



26-27 JULY 2024

SUNDERLAND CRAFT BEER FESTIVAL

The Fire Station, Sunderland SRI 3HA

<https://www.sunderlandcraftbeer.co.uk/>

27 JULY 2024

LITTLE SUMMER BEER BASH

DEYA Brewery Taproom, Unit 27, Lansdown Industrial Estate, Gloucester Rd,
Cheltenham GL51 8PL

<https://lefthandedgiant.com/pages/little-summer-beer-bash>

2-3 AUGUST 2024

WEST END BEER FESTIVAL

Hillhead Sports Club, 32 Hughenden Road, Glasgow, G12 9XP

<https://shorturl.at/kR3iG>

9-10 AUGUST 2024

LONDON CRAFT BEER FESTIVAL

Tobacco Dock, Tobacco Quay, Wapping Lane, London E1W 2SF

<https://londoncraftbeerfestival.co.uk/>



29-31 AUGUST 2024

FARM TRIP 2024

Home Farm, Horrobin Lane, Rivington PR6 9HE

<https://www.rivingtonbrewing.co.uk/farmtrip2024>

7 SEPTEMBER 2024

SUDS FEST

Uffculme Centre, 52 Queensbridge Road, Birmingham, B13 8QY

<https://shorturl.at/psOP7>

14 SEPTEMBER 2024

CRAFT BEER SOUTH 2024

The I865 Brunswick Square Southampton, SO14 3AR

<https://www.belgiumandblues.co.uk/cbs>

20-21 SEPTEMBER 2024

DERBYSHIRE CRAFT BEER FESTIVAL

The Grand Pavilion, South Parade, Matlock Bath, DE4 3NR

<https://www.ticketsource.co.uk/thegrandpavilion/e-mdqmqk>

20-21 SEPTEMBER 2024

FULL CIRCLE FEST

Full Circle Brewery, Hoult's Yard, Newcastle upon Tyne NE6 2HL

<https://www.fullcirclebrew.co.uk/products/full-circle-fest-2024-ticket>

27-28 SEPTEMBER 2024

GRAVITY BEER FESTIVAL 2024

Summerhall, Edinburgh, EH9 1PL

<https://www.gravitybeerfestival.co.uk/>

19 OCTOBER 2024

THE BIG SWALLY

O2 Academy Edinburgh

<https://shorturl.at/bzAD4>

02 NOVEMBER 2024

DARK & WILD 2024

Marshalls Mill, The Old Flax Store, Marshall St, Leeds LS11 9YJ

<https://www.universe.com/users/northern-monk-brewing-co-ltd-HWC3KF>



8-9 NOVEMBER 2024

RISING TIDE CRAFT BEER FESTIVAL

Canterbury Cathedral Lodge, Canterbury CT1 2EH

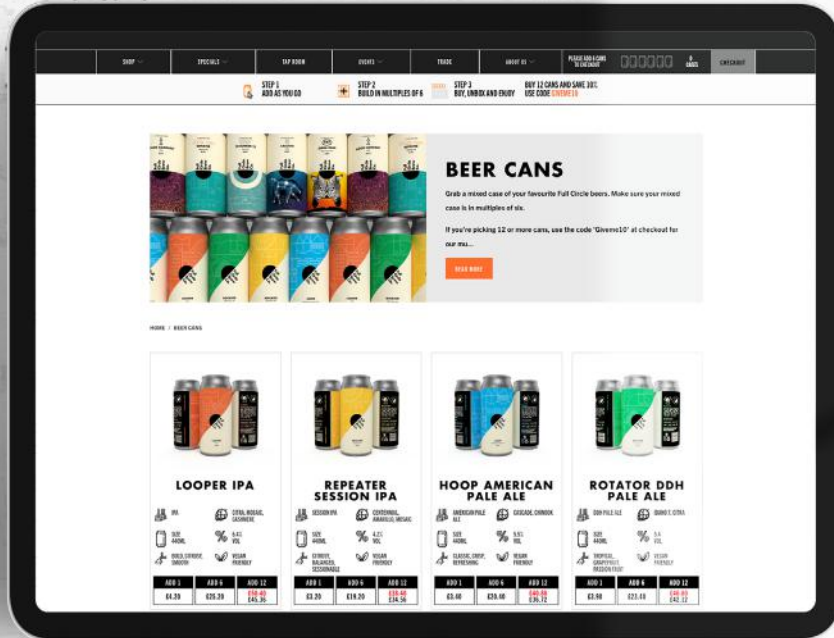
<https://shorturl.at/GHJMY>





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Craft beer direct to your fridge



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Craft Brewery & Taproom

<https://www.fullcirclebrew.co.uk/collections/all-beer>

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Duration Brewing Beer Shop



Beers That Belong - Brewed From Nature With Purpose

<https://shop.durationbeer.com/>

Free delivery over £50

Villages Brewery



Bringing People Together

<https://villagesbrewery.com/collections/buy-beer>

Standard shipping £6.99


Webshop Directory...



Little Earth Project

Fresh & Funky From the Suffolk Countryside

<https://littleearthproject.myshopify.com/>


 Free shipping for orders over £80



Holy Goat Brewing

Specialising in the Production of Mixed Fermentation & Wood Aged Beers

<https://holygoat.beer/shop/>


 Free shipping for orders over £39



Vault City Brewing

Modern Sour Beer With a Focus on Fruit Forward Flavours

<https://vaultcity.co.uk/collections/all-beers>


 Free shipping for orders over £50



UnBarred Brewery

Made of Brighton

<https://www.unbarredbrewery.com/collections/unbarred-shop>


 Free delivery for orders over £50



ORA Brewing

Discover Our Passion

<https://ora-brewing.myshopify.com/>


 Free shipping on orders over £49



Pomona Island Brew Co.

Award Winning Brewery Based In Salford

<https://www.pomonaislandbrew.co.uk/shop>


 Standard shipping £6.00



Attic Brew Co.

Forward Thinking Beers

<https://atticbrewco.com/collections/beer>

 Free delivery for orders over £35


Webshop Directory...



Polly's Brew Co.

Ultra Fresh, Hop-Forward, Modern Beers

<https://pollysbrew.co/shop/>


 Free shipping for orders over £60



Amity Brew Co.

Community, Friendship and Good beer!

<https://www.amitybrew.co/shop>


 Free shipping on orders over £45



Wilderness Brewery

Wild Little Beers From Mid Wales

<https://www.wildernessbrew.co.uk/shop>


 Standard shipping £8 or click and collect



Moot Brew Co.

Brewing Hop Forward Beers in the Heart of Kent

<https://mootbrew.co.uk/collections/all>


 Free shipping on orders over £60



Exale Brewery

We're Exale. Home of the Wild, Weird and Wonderful

<https://shop.exalebrew.co.uk/>


 Free shipping for orders over £30



Crossover Blendery

Modern, Flavour-Forward Beers Rooted In Tradition

<https://crossoverblendery.co.uk/collections/beers>


 Standard shipping £8.99



Mondo Brewing Co.

All Things Point South West

<https://shop.mondobeer.com/>

 Free shipping for orders over £75


Webshop Directory...



Anspach & Hobday

A London Brewery Making Traditional Beers in a Modern Way

<https://www.anspachandhobday.com/shop>


 Free shipping for orders over £60



Bullhouse Brew Co.

Independent Craft Brewery Based in Belfast

<https://bullhousebrewco.com/collections/beer>


 Free shipping for orders over £50



Neon Raptor Brewing Co.

Midlands Based Microbrewery Producing Top Quality Beers

<https://neonraptorbrewingco.com/collections/beer>


 Free shipping on orders of 12 cans or more



Track Brewing Co.

Beers Born From Adventure

<https://www.trackbrewing.co/collections/buybeer>


 Free shipping for orders over £60



71 Brewing Co.

Engineers of Beers, Brewed in Scotland

<https://71brewing.com/collections/all>


 Standard shipping £5.99



Hammerton Brewery

Proudly Brewing Great Beer in London N7

<https://hammertonbrewery.shop/>


 Free shipping for orders over £48



Vibrant Forest Brewery

Our Passion is to Brew Modern Beers Packed With Flavour

<https://www.vibrantforest.co.uk/>

 Free shipping for orders over £60


Webshop Directory...



Sureshot Brewing

High Quality, Small Batch - From the Beating Belly of Manchester

<https://sureshotbrew.com/shop/>


 Free shipping for orders over £60



Carnival Brewing Co.

Celebrating Modern Beer

<https://carnivalbrewing.me/collections/cans-bottles>


 Free shipping for orders over £50



Electric Bear Brewing Co.

Craft Beer That Delivers on that 'glad-to-be-alive' Vibe

<https://electricbearbrewing.com/collections/beer>


 Free shipping for orders over £50



Round Corner Brewing

Uncommonly Good Beer

<https://roundcornerbrewing.com/pages/ranges>


 Free shipping for orders over £50



Tartarus Beers

Brewing Small Batch Craft Beer, With a Mythical Edge

<https://www.tartarusbeers.co.uk/collections/beer>


 Free shipping for orders over £50



Beak Brewery

Life-affirming Ales

<https://beakbrewery.com/>

 Free shipping for orders over £50


Webshop Directory...



Lost Pier Brewing

Independent Nomadic Brewer Based in Sussex

<https://www.lostpier.com/online-store>


 Free shipping for orders over £50



Vaux Brewery

Independent Craft Brewery in Sunderland

<https://www.vaux.beer/collections/webshop>


 Free shipping for orders over £60



Hackney Brewery

A Small, Independent Craft Brewery in London

<https://www.hackneybrewery.com/shop>


 Free shipping for orders over £50



Bayonet Brewing

Modern, Exciting and Innovative Beers

<https://bayonet-brewing.square.site/s/shop>


 Standard shipping £6.50



Padstow Brewing Co.

Multi Award Winning Craft Brewery

<https://www.padstowbrewing.co.uk/shop/>


 Free shipping for orders over £50



Zapato Brewery

Add any 12 Zapato beers to your cart for an automatic 10% discount

<https://zapatobrewing.com/>


 Free shipping on orders over £60



Time & Tide Brewing

Independent Brewery, Producing Hop Forward, Progressive Beers

<https://www.timeandtidebrewing.co.uk/shop>

 Free shipping on orders over £50


Webshop Directory...



Stannary Brewing Co.

Producers of Flavoured, Modern Beers in the Heart of West Devon

<https://stannarybrewing.shop/>


 Free shipping for orders over £30



Wild Horse Brewing Co.

Fresh, Forward Thinking, Beer

<https://wildhorsebrewing.co.uk/collections/beer-cans>


 Free shipping for orders over £60



Pastore Brewing & Blending

We Make Fresh Super-Fruited Sours & Barrel Aged Blended Wild Ales

<https://pastore-brewing.myshopify.com/collections/all>


 Standard shipping £5.99



Liquid Light Brewing Co.

Vegan Craft Beers Inspired By a Love For Music

<https://liquidlightbrewco.shop/>


 Free shipping for orders over £50



Merakai Brewing Co.

Crafted With Purpose

<https://www.merakaibrewing.com/shop>


 Free shipping for orders over £60



Drop Bear Beers

Alcohol Free Craft Beers

<https://www.dropbearbeers.com/shop/>


 Free shipping on all orders



Hammerton Brewery

Proudly Brewing Great Beer in London N7

<https://hammertonbrewery.shop/>

 Free shipping on orders over £48


Webshop Directory...



Wylam Brewery

Micro Brewery - Tap Room - Events Space

<https://beerstore.wylambrewery.co.uk/>


 Standard shipping £6.99



Runaway Brewery

Handmade, Modern British Beer

<https://www.therunawaybrewery.com/>


 Standard shipping £6.50



Pillars Brewery

Home of Lager - Brewed in East London

<https://www.pillarsbrewery.com/collections/beer-boxes>


 Free shipping for orders over £80



Pipeline Brewing

Hazy, Hop-Forward Beers

<https://pipelinebrewing.co.uk/collections/all>


 Free shipping for orders over £60



State of Kind Brew Co.

Making the World Better One Beer at a Time

<https://www.stateofkindbrew.co/shop>


 Free shipping for orders over £45



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Craft Beer, Traditional Cider, Spirits, Natural and Organic Wine

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