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# Brian and Me

Last week's intro was a bit too gloomy for my liking so I thought I would change the subject and brighten things up a little.

Myself and my brain (or brian as I misspelt it whilst typing) have lived together happily all my life.

Until recently. Yesterday, leaving Brian down in the kitchen, I went upstairs to get something and when I got there completely forgot what I wanted and had to go back down for Brian to remind me. Last week I was sitting in my office, working on a simple maths problem, when Brian decided to go for a walk in the garden. I had to wait for him to return for the answer.

Brian assures me that these are just 'senior moments' and a normal part of the ageing process. It seems I need to keep Brian close by me in future, so I will take him out next week and give him a serious talking to over a relaxing few glasses of craft beers.

Cheers!



# Brewer's Corner

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



## Pre-Budget Manoeuvring

In more pre-budget manoeuvring, the head of the British Institute of Innkeeping, Steve Alton, reminded the Chancellor that some clarity on the extension of Business Rates relief, which is set to expire next year, is urgently needed.

[READ THE ARTICLE](#)

## Wet-Led Pubs Outperform

As people who do a fair bit of drinking in "wet-led" pubs, we were pleased to read statistics this week from the CGA that showed 10% year on year growth for the wet-led venues in the UK.

[READ THE ARTICLE](#)



## Change At Samuel Smith's

The Pub Curmudgeon had some reflections this week on the news that Humphrey Smith, the long-standing draconian Chairman of Sam Smith's, will be stepping down on his 80th birthday in December. We appreciate historic pubs as much as anybody, but let's hope some younger blood at the top will finally drag the Company into the 21st Century.

[READ THE ARTICLE](#)



## Great British Beer Festival Moves to Brum

Finally, this might be the first time we have ever linked to a CAMRA website, but there was significant news this week regarding the return of the GBBF... and its relocation to the Birmingham NEC! This seems like a very sensible decision which we applaud.

[READ THE ARTICLE](#)





# Beer of the Week

## Full Charge

5.5% Hazy Pale

by Left Handed Giant Brewing



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A 5.5% Hazy Pale with Nelson, Pacific Sunrise & Wakatu Cryo.

An easy-going pale that doesn't compromise on texture, full of naked oats and white wheat on a super pale base. There's a tropical intensity of late-harvested Nelson Sauvignon, from Freestyle Hops' 2024 Bliss-processed crop, with pings of fresh lemon peel and pine on either side of the palate. Guava, Floral & Zesty.

<https://lefthandedgiant.com/products/full-charge>

# 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



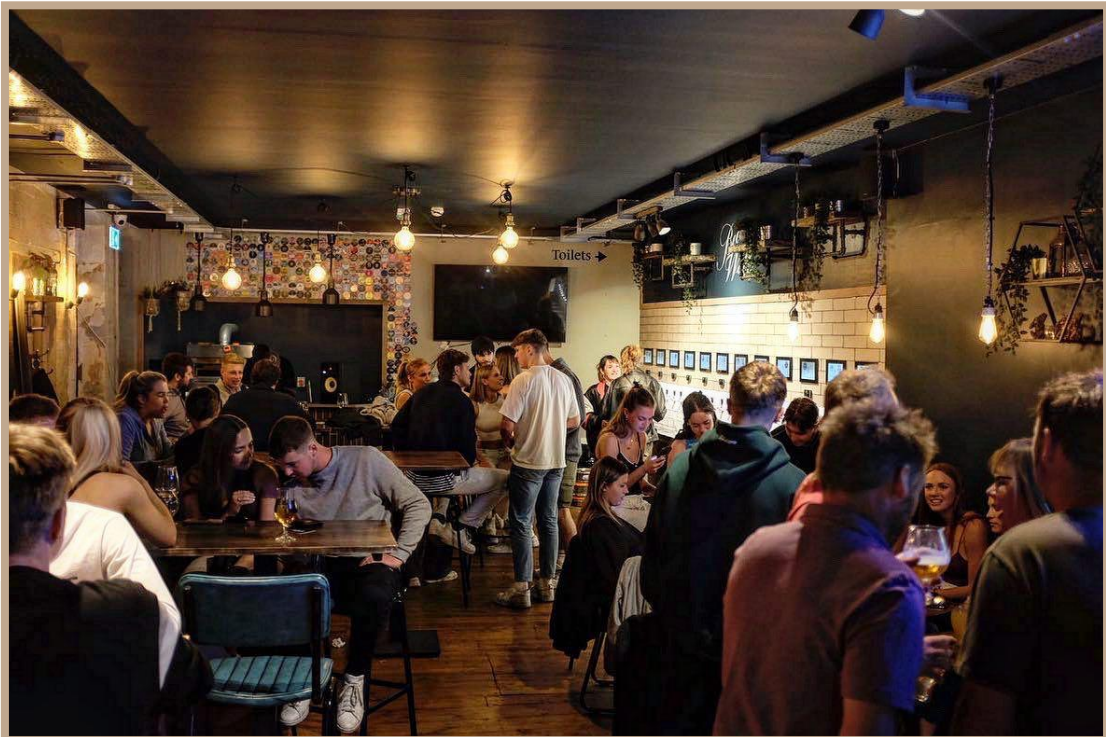
**STEVE P**

TWICB CO-FOUNDER

## The Tap House

10 Byard Lane, Nottingham NG1 2GL

Tucked away in the heart of Nottingham’s city centre, down the historic Byard Lane, lies a true gem for craft beer lovers— The Tap House. Nestled amongst small shop fronts and eateries, this cosy spot is perfect for anyone looking to explore a wide selection of brews.

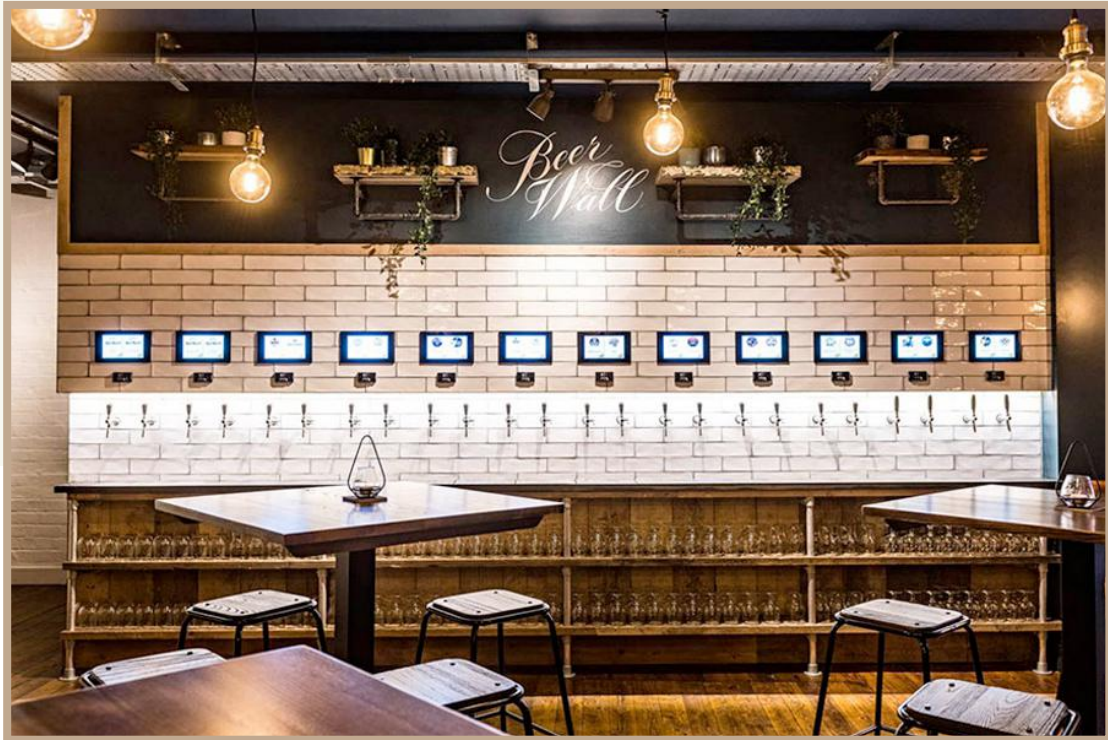


The atmosphere inside is rustic and welcoming. The warm, wood-themed décor, combined with a mix of high wooden tables and more intimate seating, creates a relaxed vibe. For those who prefer to enjoy the fresh air, there’s outdoor space both by the entrance and in a small courtyard, offering the perfect spot to sip and unwind.



# Taproom Review

The highlight of this taproom is undoubtedly its impressive Beer Wall. With 24 taps of craft beers and ciders from around the world. From rich stouts to crisp ciders, there's something for every palate, and the self-serve system adds a unique twist. Upon arrival, customers are given a personalised card which activates the taps. This gives you the freedom to pour as much or as little as you like, allowing for an immersive, hands-on experience. Each tap is accompanied by a digital display showing the beer



The real-time pouring gauge is a brilliant feature. Like watching a petrol pump, it tells you how much you've poured and how much it's costing. It's a refreshing alternative to traditional ordering, offering flexibility and fun—it's like being a kid in a candy store for beer enthusiasts!

# Taproom Review

No beer night is complete without some good food, and the Buffalo Chicken pizza we tried was the perfect pairing. Freshly cooked and flavourful, it went down beautifully alongside the variety of fine brews we sampled.



The Tap House's walk-in policy means it's easy to stop by, and with such a friendly and helpful staff, it's surprising the place wasn't packed during our visit. Clean, well-kept, and offering an experience unlike any other, the Tap Room is a must-visit for craft beer aficionados or anyone looking to try something new.

Whether you're flying solo or out with friends, you're guaranteed to find a brew (or several) that'll have you coming back for more. If you're in Nottingham, don't miss the chance to stop by this hidden haven.

Opening Hours:  
Mon - Thurs: 15:00 - 23:00  
Fri: 15:00 - 00:00  
Sat: 12:00 - 00:00  
Sun: 13:00 - 22:00





# The Podcast with Moot Brew Co.

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



## EPISODE 218 - MOOT BREW CO

We are delighted to welcome back to the Podcast, Calvin (left) & Will from Moot Brew Co. It's been two years since Calvin was last on the podcast, so there was plenty to catch up on.

BEER NAME	CHECK-INS	STYLE	ABV	RATING
KAPA	723	Hazy Pale Ale	4.4%	3.72
Butter	485	Double IPA	8.0%	3.96
Sunday	432	Session IPA	4.0%	3.79

[LISTEN HERE](#)

**Location:** Court Farm, Pilgrims Rd, Upper Halling, Rochester ME2 1HR

**Website:** <https://mootbrew.co.uk/>

# 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.

## RoboHop

8.5% DIPA

By Great Lakes Brewery

RoboHop Double IPA, this is one New England style beer not a beer to trifle with. Tropical fruits abound from the glass, which consist of passion fruit, guava, lemon with notes of white grape and evergreen mingling together.





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# UK Craft Beer Festivals



**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>

**8-9 NOVEMBER 2024**

## **DERBY BEER CON**

Museum and Art Gallery (aka The Library) The Strand, Derby DE1 1BS

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



**10-12 APRIL 2025**

**BREW//LDN**

Between The Bridges, London SE1

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

**16-17 MAY 2025**

**MANCHESTER CRAFT BEER FESTIVAL**

Depot Mayfield, Manchester

<https://linktr.ee/manchestercraftbeerfestival>

**6-7 JUNE 2025**

**MANCHESTER CRAFT BREW FESTIVAL**

Victoria Warehouse, Trafford Wharf Road, Manchester M17 IAB

<https://craftbrewfestival.co.uk/manchester>

**13-14 JUNE 2025**

**NOTTINGHAM CRAFT BEER FESTIVAL**

Sneinton Market, Nottingham NG1

<https://shorturl.at/bOKxQ>

**13-14 JUNE 2025**

**BRISTOL CRAFT BEER FESTIVAL**

Lloyds Amphitheatre, Harbourside Bristol

<https://linktr.ee/bcbf>

**18-19 JULY 2025**

**LONDON CRAFT BEER FESTIVAL**

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

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

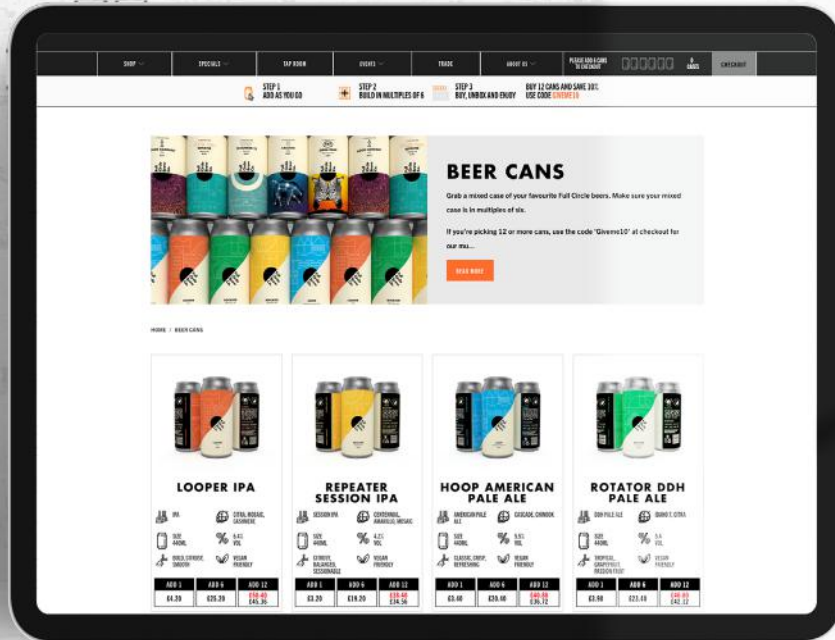






# Webshops

## FEATURED WEBSHOP



## Craft beer direct to your fridge



### Full Circle Brew Co.

Craft Brewery & Taproom

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

Free national delivery over £50



### 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


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## Holy Goat Brewing

Specialising in the Production of Mixed Fermentation & Wood Aged Beers

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

 Free shipping for orders over £39


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## 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


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## UnBarred Brewery

Made of Brighton

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

 Free delivery for orders over £50


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## ORA Brewing

Discover Our Passion

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

 Free shipping on orders over £49


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## Pomona Island Brew Co.

Award Winning Brewery Based In Salford

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

 Standard shipping £6.00


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## Attic Brew Co.

Forward Thinking Beers

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

 Free delivery for orders over £35

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# Webshop Directory...



## **Polly's Brew Co.**

Ultra Fresh, Hop-Forward, Modern Beers

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

 Free shipping for orders over £60


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## **Amity Brew Co.**

Community, Friendship and Good beer!

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

 Free shipping on orders over £45


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## **Wilderness Brewery**

Wild Little Beers From Mid Wales

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

 Standard shipping £8 or click and collect


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## **Moot Brew Co.**

Brewing Hop Forward Beers in the Heart of Kent

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

 Free shipping on orders over £60


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## **Exale Brewery**

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

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

 Free shipping for orders over £30


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## **Crossover Blendery**

Modern, Flavour-Forward Beers Rooted In Tradition

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

 Standard shipping £8.99


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## **Mondo Brewing Co.**

All Things Point South West

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

 Free shipping for orders over £75

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## Anspach & Hobday

A London Brewery Making Traditional Beers in a Modern Way

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

 Free shipping for orders over £60


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## Bullhouse Brew Co.

Independent Craft Brewery Based in Belfast

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

 Free shipping for orders over £50


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## 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


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## Track Brewing Co.

Beers Born From Adventure

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

 Free shipping for orders over £60


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## 71 Brewing Co.

Engineers of Beers, Brewed in Scotland

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

 Standard shipping £5.99


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## Hammerton Brewery

Proudly Brewing Great Beer in London N7

<https://hammertonbrewery.shop/>

 Free shipping for orders over £48


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## Vibrant Forest Brewery

Our Passion is to Brew Modern Beers Packed With Flavour

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

 Free shipping for orders over £60

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# Webshop Directory...



## Sureshot Brewing

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

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

 Free shipping for orders over £60


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## Carnival Brewing Co.

Celebrating Modern Beer

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

 Free shipping for orders over £50


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## 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


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## Round Corner Brewing

Uncommonly Good Beer

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

 Free shipping for orders over £50


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## Tartarus Beers

Brewing Small Batch Craft Beer, With a Mythical Edge

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

 Free shipping for orders over £50


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## Beak Brewery

Life-affirming Ales

<https://beakbrewery.com/>

 Free shipping for orders over £50


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## Only With Love - 10% Discount code: TWICB-OWLove

Togetherness on Tap

<https://www.onlywithlove.co/>

 Free shipping for orders over £55

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## 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


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## Wild Horse Brewing Co.

Fresh, Forward Thinking, Beer

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

 Free shipping for orders over £60


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## 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


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## Liquid Light Brewing Co.

Vegan Craft Beers Inspired By a Love For Music

<https://liquidlightbrewco.shop/>

 Free shipping for orders over £50


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## Merakai Brewing Co.

Crafted With Purpose

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

 Free shipping for orders over £60


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## Drop Bear Beers

Alcohol Free Craft Beers

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

 Free shipping on all orders


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## Hammerton Brewery

Proudly Brewing Great Beer in London N7

<https://hammertonbrewery.shop/>

 Free shipping on orders over £48

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# Webshop Directory...



## Wylam Brewery

Micro Brewery - Tap Room - Events Space

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

 Standard shipping £6.99


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## Runaway Brewery

Handmade, Modern British Beer

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

 Standard shipping £6.50


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## Pillars Brewery

Home of Lager - Brewed in East London

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

 Free shipping for orders over £80


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## Pipeline Brewing

Hazy, Hop-Forward Beers

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

 Free shipping for orders over £60


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## 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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## Bottle & Jug Dept.

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

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

 Free shipping for orders over £95


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## Double-Barrelled Brewery - 10% Discount code: TWICB

A modern, independent brewery based in Reading, Berkshire

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

 Free shipping for orders over £50

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