



# this week in craft-beer



## BREWER'S CORNER

Beery news from around the world.

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We visit the new Kernel taproom in Bermondsey.

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Rob chats to Alex from Bayonet Brewing.

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LAGERBIER	30% £5.30	REDEMPTION-LAGER	44% £6.50	DRY STOUT CHINOOK COLUMBUS	£6.50	IMPERIAL BROWN STOUT	£5.90
PILS GALAXY	52% £6.50	REDEMPTION-SOLAR PALE ALE	42% £6.50	STOUT NITRO	47% £6.50	FOEDER BEER NELSON SAUVIGNON	£5.50
INDIA PALE ALE CITRA	4.7% £6.50	PALE ALE MOTUEKA	53% £6.30	INDIA DOUBLE PORTER	75% £6.50	BIERE DE SAISON PETITE	50% £5.50
INDIA PALE ALE NZ 2024	6.5% £5.50	PALE ALE SUPERDELIC	52% £6.30	EXPORT STOUT LONDON 1890	75% £6.50	BIERE DE SAISON APRICOT	50% £5.50
INDIA PALE ALE DOUBLE CITRA	8% £6.50	MILD KERNEL REDEMPTION VICTORIAN MILD	57% £6.50	THE KERNEL & BLACK STOUT	59% £5.50	PILS BRETT	4.6% £6.50
		MILD REDEMPTION & KERNEL VICTORIAN MILD	60% £6.50	LONDON BRICKWALL PALE ALE	64% £5.50	GRISSETTE NELSON SAUVIGNON	4.9% £5.50



# English Demise (Part I)

English language that is! The change and butchering of our language is something that has been giving me the pip for years now and I feel the need to share it with you. There is much to share, so, with your forbearance, I will cover some of the points over two weekly sessions.

Today I will just start with an 'H'. Why on earth has it become acceptable – even on TV or radio news programs – to call the letter 'H' – haitch? All the dictionaries I have read refer to the letter as being spelt a-i-t-c-h? One of our most common acronyms is the good old NHS. Have you ever heard anyone call it N Haitch S? Neither have I. What about the World Health Organisation, you would sound a bit of a twit calling it W Haitch O! If we accept that some people these days say the 'H' with an actual 'H', then, with the same reasoning, for the letters 'F', 'L', 'M', 'N', 'S' and 'W', they should say Feff, Lel, Mem, Nen, Sess and Woubleyou?

It is also interesting to note that our language also has a fair few words with a silent 'H' – hour, honest, honour, heir etc. Whilst this doesn't necessarily have much to do with my rant, it is at least an excuse for opening another can of my latest craft beer acquisition from Cloudwater!

Cheers!



**THE PODCAST**  
Rob chats with Alex  
from Bayonet Brewing.

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# Brewer's Corner

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



## Price of a Pint Approaches Breaking Point?

Not much good beer news around this week! Firstly, the Morning Advertiser cites the general concerns across Hospitality that per-pint prices are approaching a breaking point for consumers, with no end to the rises in sight.

[READ THE ARTICLE](#)

## Short Lived Beer Brands

Last week, we gleefully eviscerated the big-daddy of evil macros, Carlsberg Marstons, for eliminating a large percentage of their heritage cask brands. However, here is the first of two articles that takes the opposite side of the argument.

[READ THE ARTICLE](#)



## Crying Over Spilt Beer

Also chiming in on the side of CMBC is the Pub Curmudgeon.

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## Oversupply of Hops

Finally this week, it turns out to have been a strong harvest in 2024 for Noble hops in Germany. Sadly for farmers, demand has cratered in the meantime, causing prices to fall by as much as 90%! Apparently the brewery cold-stores are literally still stuffed with hops from the previous year due to falling demand for beer overall, as well as a move away from the fashion for heavily hopped beers. What is the World coming to...?!

[READ THE ARTICLE](#)



# Beer of the Week

## Wallow

8% DIPA

by Polly's Brew Co.



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This beer features a simple two hop lineup as an homage to Polly's Originals range, but pushes the 25g/l mark in terms of intensity - completely and fully Augment! Hitting big with huge dry-hop additions of Mosaic and Sabro, pulling every last drop of those incredible coconut, mango, lime, and papaya notes, before finishing with a mellow bitterness at the end.

# 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 Kernel Taproom

132 Spa Rd, London SE16 3AE

Last weekend's annual pilgrimage to the Bermondsey Beer Mile began with an unexpected twist: discovering that The Kernel's beloved Arch 7 taproom was closed. Thankfully, a helpful sign directed us to their brand-new taproom just around the corner. And a pleasant discovery it was too.



While the new location may lack the rustic charm of the railway arch setting, it more than compensates with its modern and thoughtfully designed space. Situated in a spacious, glass-fronted building, the taproom retains The Kernel's trademark understated style.

# Taproom Review

With its soft lighting, wooden tables, chairs, and panelling, the contemporary decor exudes warmth and simplicity. At approximately double the size of the original taproom, there is plenty of room to sit back, relax, and enjoy the beer.



The bar is a focal point, boasting 24 craft keg taps primarily featuring Kernel's freshest beers, alongside two cask pumps, cider, wine, and soft drinks. The beer options are clearly displayed, and the variety is impressive—everything from light, sessionable table beers to robust imperial stouts. For those wanting to take the experience home, a wide range of Kernel's bottled beers is available for takeaway.

# Taproom Review

One exciting addition to the new space is the enhanced food offering. The kitchen is now home to Yagi Izakaya, serving up Japanese-inspired comfort food like gyoza, udon, and karaage—a fantastic complement to Kernel's beers.



THE KERNEL					
DRAUGHT MENU					
	%ABV	1/3	1/2	2/3	PNH
REDEMPTION & THE KERNEL - VICTORIAN MILD	6.0	2.20	3.25	4.40	6.50
THE KERNEL   REDEMPTION - VICTORIAN MILD	5.7	2.20	3.25	4.40	6.50
REDEMPTION - SOLAR PALE ALE	4.2	2.10	3.15	4.20	6.30
REDEMPTION - LAGER	4.4	2.20	3.25	4.40	6.50
TABLE BEER - AMARILLO MOSAIC	3.0	1.75	2.60	3.50	5.20
PALE ALE - MOTUEKA	5.2	2.10	3.15	4.20	6.30
PALE ALE - SUPERDELIC	5.2	2.10	3.15	4.20	6.30
INDIA PALE ALE - CITRA	6.0	2.50	3.75	5.00	
INDIA PALE ALE - NZ 2024	6.5	2.50	3.75	5.00	
DOUBLE INDIA PALE ALE - CITRA	8.4	4.00	6.00		
LONDON BRICK - RED RYE ALE	6.4	2.50	3.75	5.00	
LAGERBIER	5.2	2.20	3.25	4.40	6.50
PILS LAGER - GALAXY	4.6	2.20	3.25	4.40	6.50
INTRO STOUT	4.7	2.10	3.15	4.20	6.30
DRY STOUT - CHINOOK, COLUMBUS	4.5	2.10	3.15	4.20	6.30
TROPICAL STOUT - HOP BLISS & BLACK COLLAR	5.9	2.50	3.75	5.00	
INDIA DOUBLE PORTER - MOSAIC, COLUMBUS	7.5	3.00	4.50	6.00	
EXPORT STOUT - LONDON 1890	7.5	3.00	4.50	6.00	
IMPERIAL BROWN STOUT - LONDON 1856	9.6	4.50			
ORISSETTE - NELSON SAUVIN	4.9	2.20	3.25	4.40	6.50
PILS - BRETT (WILD YEAST)	4.5	2.20	3.25	4.40	6.50
PETITE SAISON	5.2	3.50	5.25		
BIÈRE DE SAISON - RASPBERRY	4.7	3.50	5.25		
CIDER - 2023 BLEND	6.2	2.50	3.75	5.00	

Whether you're a longtime fan or visiting for the first time, The Kernel's new taproom is a must-visit spot on the Beer Mile. Its updated ambiance and expanded amenities create a perfect environment for enjoying some of London's finest craft beer.

The Kernel has managed to evolve while staying true to its core ethos, making this new taproom a worthy start (or end) to your beer journey. Cheers!

Opening Hours:

Wednesday–Friday: 12 PM–10 PM  
Saturday: 11 AM–9 PM  
Sunday: 12 PM–8 PM





# The Podcast with Bayonet Brewing

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



## EPISODE 224 - BAYONET BREWING

Join Rob as he catches up with Alex for the first time in over two years to talk about the future for Bayonet, and the exciting plans for Northallerton Craft Beer Festival! For 10% off festival tickets use code TWICB at checkout.

### Most checkins on Untappd

BEER NAME	CHECK-INS	STYLE	ABV	RATING
Delta Lima Six	272	Pale Ale	4.0%	3.75
Endex	207	DIPA	8.0%	4.0
Millionaires Weekend	173	Hazy IPA	6.5%	3.74

[LISTEN HERE](#)

**Location:** 25 Cotswold St., Brompton, Northallerton DL6 2BX  
**Website:** <https://bayonet-brewing.square.site/>

# Beer Name of the Week

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

## Hans Goober

6.5% Peanut Butter & Jam Stout

By Brew York

Now I have a stout—ho-ho-ho!" Introducing Hans Goober, a deliciously rich stout brewed in collaboration with @coolheadbrew from Helsinki. Inspired by the iconic villain Hans Gruber, this brew is anything but a "yippee-ki-yay" moment—it's an indulgent treat!

With creamy peanut butter and tangy raspberry jelly, Hans Goober delivers a taste that's as memorable as Gruber's notorious heist. Just remember, "If you can't find it, you're not looking hard enough!"





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Doug Thayer

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Mike Bailey

Jazz Hundal

Phantom Brewing Co.

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James Cox

Craft BEERings

# UK Craft Beer Festivals

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**24-25 JANUARY 2025**

## **CHESTER CRAFT BEER EXPO**

Garret Theatre, Hunter St, Chester CHI 2AR

<https://shorturl.at/7DwmC>

**4-5 APRIL 2025**

## **CASTLE BEER FEST**

Nottingham Castle

<https://castlebeerfest.com/>

**10-12 APRIL 2025**

## **BREW//LDN**

Between The Bridges, London SE1

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

**12 APRIL 2025**

## **ABERDEEN BEER FESTIVAL**

Music Hall, Union St, Aberdeen AB10 IQS

<https://shorturl.at/iWgQZ>



**2-3 MAY 2025**

**AWAKENING '25**

St Johns Church, Forton Rd, Gosport PO12 4TQ

<https://shorturl.at/XfV8e>

**16-17 MAY 2025**

**MANCHESTER CRAFT BEER FESTIVAL**

Depot Mayfield, Manchester

<https://linktr.ee/manchestercraftbeerfestival>

**16-17 MAY 2025**

**HOP CITY 2025**

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

<https://www.universe.com/events/hop-city-2025-tickets-6FNG7B>

**29-31 MAY 2025**

**CRAFT BEER EXPO 2025**

Black Lodge Brewery, 3 Kings Dock Street, Liverpool LI 8JU

<https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/o/craft-beer-expo-ltd-3248880072>

**6-7 JUNE 2025**

**MANCHESTER CRAFT BREW FESTIVAL**

Victoria Warehouse, Trafford Wharf Road, Manchester M17 1AB

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

**13-14 JUNE 2025**

**BRISTOL CRAFT BEER FESTIVAL**

Lloyds Amphitheatre, Harbourside Bristol

<https://linktr.ee/bcbf>

**20-21 JUNE 2025**

**NOTTINGHAM CRAFT BEER FESTIVAL**

Sneinton Market, Nottingham NG1

<https://shorturl.at/bOKxQ>

**18-19 JULY 2025**

**LONDON CRAFT BEER FESTIVAL**

Magazine London, 11 Ordnance Cres, London SE10 0JH

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

15-16 AUGUST 2025

**NORTHALLERTON CRAFT BEER FESTIVAL**

The Golden Lion Hotel, Northallerton DL7 8PP

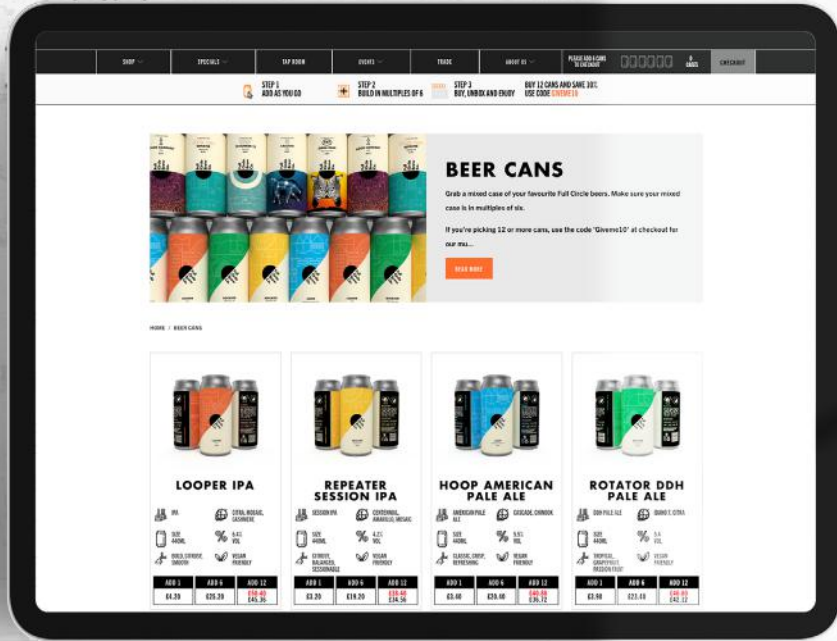
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# Webshops

## 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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## 52 Degrees Brewing (10% discount code: 10forTWICB)

Grasshopper & Warwickshire Beers – All flowing together

<https://52degreesbrewing.com/pages/purchase-beer>

 Standard shipping £5.99


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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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## 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


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## 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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## Small Batch Brewing Co.

Making Good Beer For Great People

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

 Standard shipping £7.20


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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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