

REAL ALES

AVAILABLE TO REQUEST ALL YEAR ROUND

Oakham JHB 3.8% ABV
Oakham Ales, Cambridgeshire. Est. 1993
This light golden beer has an aroma dominated by citrus notes, while its hops and fruit on the palate are balanced by malty notes and a bitter base, leading to soft fruit flavours and a refreshing, dry, hoppy finish.
Hops: Challenger, Mount Hood



Wainwright Gold 4.1% ABV
Banks's Brewery, West Midlands. Est. 1890
This straw-coloured beer has a subtle sweetness supplied by sweet honey notes, complemented by delicate citrus fruit overtones, resulting in a balanced, refreshing character.
Hops: Hersbrücker, Magnum, Styrian Goldings, Tradition



Brains SA 4.2% ABV
Brains Brewery, Cardiff. Est. 1882
This copper-coloured beer has an inviting malty aroma, leading to a blend of nutty richness, with malty and intense fruit notes, balanced by a satisfying dryness in its lasting finish.
Hops: Challenger, Fuggles, Goldings



Oakham Citra 4.2% ABV
Oakham Ales, Cambridgeshire. Est. 1993
This refreshing pale golden beer expertly showcases the single-hop variety used, with its pungent aromas of grapefruit, lychee and gooseberry leading to a dry, bitter finish.
Hops: Citra



Wychwood Hobgoblin Gold 4.2% ABV
Banks's Brewery, West Midlands. Est. 1890
This golden beer delivers tropical citrus and passion fruit aromas, leading to biscuit malt flavours which are complemented by fresh lemon and lime zest, resulting in a refreshing character.
Hops: Citra, Nelson Sauvin, Pilgrim, Summit



Adnams Ghost Ship 4.5% ABV
Adnams Brewery, Suffolk. Est. 1872
This golden pale ale has aromatic elderflower notes, leading to bold citrus flavours of lemon and lime, supported by a subtle malt backbone and resulting in a refreshing hoppy finish.
Hops: Cascade, Chinook, Citra



Brains The Rev James Original 4.5% ABV
Brains Brewery, Cardiff. Est. 1882
This mahogany-coloured beer has a spicy toffee aroma, followed by a rich, balanced character, with a mellow, malty flavour which gives way to a clean, refreshing finish.
Hops: Challenger, Fuggles, Goldings



Exmoor Gold 4.5% ABV
Exmoor Ales, Somerset. Est. 1980
This classic golden beer has a soft malty aroma, with hints of citrus hops, while the subtle malt sweetness in its flavour leads to a refreshing, bittersweet finish of citrus, toffee and vanilla.
Hops: Celeia, Challenger, Fuggles, Goldings



Morland Old Speckled Hen 4.5% ABV
Greene King Brewery, Suffolk. Est. 1799
This copper-coloured beer has a superb fruity aroma, with its warming malt and toffee character balanced by fruity notes and hints of caramel, leading to a smooth finish.
Hops: First Gold, Goldings, Pilgrim



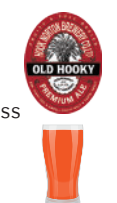
Wychwood Hobgoblin Ruby 4.5% ABV
Marston's Brewery, Staffordshire. Est. 1834
This ruby-coloured ale has fruit and sweet caramel aromas, leading to a rich, full-bodied toffee flavour and a fruity finish, with notes of figs, raisins and dates.
Hops: Fuggles, Goldings, Styrian



Fire Island Buffalo 4.6% ABV
Evan Evans Brewery, Carmarthenshire. Est. 2004
This is a deep amber beer. Its inviting tropical fruit aroma is complemented by a rich, full-bodied malt flavour and balanced by hedgerow fruit notes.
Hops: Cascade, Chinook, Magnum, Progress



Hook Norton Old Hooky 4.6% ABV
Hook Norton Brewery, Oxfordshire. Est. 1849
This popular tawny-red bitter has a strong, fruity, malty aroma and palate, with a balance of subtle hoppiness and hints of crystal malt, creating a well-rounded, slightly sweet character.
Hops: Challenger, Fuggles, Goldings



Adnams Broadside 4.7% ABV
Adnams Brewery, Suffolk. Est. 1872
This classic beer is a deep ruby colour, rich in fruit cake aromas, with hints of almond and fruit in the smooth, malty flavour, leading to a balanced, lasting finish.
Hops: Pilgrim



Ringwood Fortyniner 4.9% ABV
Banks's Brewery, West Midlands. Est. 1890
This golden-brown beer has a light, fresh, floral aroma, with a rounded malt flavour, balanced by a moderate bitterness which leads to pleasing bittersweet notes in the finish.
Hops: Challenger, Fuggles, Goldings, Progress, Sovereign



Titanic Plum Porter 4.9% ABV
Titanic Brewery, Staffordshire. Est. 1985
This multiaward-winning deep red ale has a well-rounded flavour, with its sweet fruity notes balanced by an underlying hoppiness, resulting in a surprisingly easy-drinking character.
Hops: Celeia, Goldings, Herkules, Pilgrim



Sharp's Sea Fury 5.0% ABV
Sharp's Brewery, Cornwall. Est. 1994
This ruby-coloured special ale has inviting berry and roast notes in its aroma, leading to a balanced, sumptuous, full malt and fruit flavour, culminating in a pleasing, hoppy finish.
Hops: Aurora, Cascade, Chinook, Motueka



Theakston Old Peculier 5.6% ABV
Theakston Brewery, North Yorkshire. Est. 1827
This dark ruby beer is one of the world's classic beers. It has a rich, full-bodied flavour, with subtle cherry and rich fruit overtones, plus a smooth, lasting finish.
Hops: Challenger, Fuggles, Target



Thornbridge Jaipur 5.9% ABV
Thornbridge Brewery, Derbyshire. Est. 2005
This straw-coloured IPA delivers a citrus aroma, with its complex hoppiness building to a powerful citrus hop flavour burst, culminating in a balanced and remarkably smooth finish.
Hops: Ahtanum, Cascade, Centennial, Chinook, Columbus, Simcoe



Greene King Abbot Reserve 6.5% ABV
Greene King Brewery, Suffolk. Est. 1799
This occasionally brewed deep copper-coloured beer has a fruity aroma, leading to a smooth, full-bodied flavour, bursting with biscuit, toffee and rich fruit cake notes.
Hops: Admiral, First Gold, Fuggles, Pilgrim



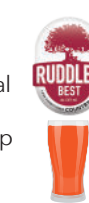
REGULAR REAL ALES

Pubs will have three of the below ales available at all times.

Greene King IPA 3.4% ABV
Greene King Brewery, Suffolk. Est. 1799
This easy-drinking amber ale has a fresh, dry, hoppy and herbal character, while its addition of crystal malt delivers satisfying toffee and caramel notes, resulting in a clean, dry finish.
Hops: Challenger, First Gold, Pilgrim



Ruddles Best 3.4% ABV
Greene King Brewery, Suffolk. Est. 1799
This chestnut-coloured beer's blend of hops delivers tropical and berry fruit flavours, with lemon citrus notes, balanced by a warming toffee and caramel character, leading to a crisp bitterness in the finish.
Hops: Bramling Cross, Challenger, Goldings, Target



Belhaven 80 Shilling 3.9% ABV (Scotland only)
Belhaven Brewery, East Lothian. Est. 1719
This copper-coloured beer has a malty character and subtle sweetness, with its hop varieties delivering a balancing bitterness and underlying herbal hop notes, with emerging hints of orange peel.
Hops: Challenger, Goldings



Sharp's Doom Bar 4.0% ABV
Sharp's Brewery, Cornwall. Est. 1994
This amber-coloured ale has an enticing aroma of resinous hops and sweet roasted malt, leading to a balanced flavour of dried fruit and lightly roasted malt, along with a moreish subtle bitterness in the finish.
Hops: Aurora, Perle



Greene King Abbot Ale 5.0% ABV
Greene King Brewery, Suffolk. Est. 1799
Masses of fruit character, with a malty richness and superb hop balance.
Hops: Challenger, First Gold, Fuggles, Pilgrim



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Bowman Swift One 3.8% ABV Bowman Ales, Hampshire. Est. 2006

This golden beer has an inviting, hoppy aroma, leading to a pleasingly hoppy (yet balanced) flavour throughout, culminating in a dry finish, with a hint of sweetness.
Hops: Celeia, Green Bullet



Swannay Chance Your Arm 3.8% ABV Swannay Brewery, Orkney. Est. 2006

This light golden pale ale has a grapefruit aroma, leading to a light toffee malt base in the flavour, balanced by hop and citrus notes, resulting in a long, refreshing finish.
Hops: Huell Melon, Olicana



Bishop Nick Heresy 4.0% ABV Bishop Nick Brewery, Essex. Est. 2011

This golden ale delivers floral and citrus aromas, leading to a gentle, spicy bitterness provided by the Challenger hops, balanced by subtle malt notes to give a refreshing character.
Hops: Aurora, Celeia, Challenger, Crystal



Butcombe Original 4.0% ABV Butcombe Brewery, Somerset. Est. 1978

This classic amber-coloured bitter has a malty, hoppy aroma, with a pronounced bitterness in the flavour, delivering a clean taste and leading to a refreshing, dry and distinctive finish.
Hops: The brewery says that it's a secret blend of English varieties.



Titanic Black Ice 4.1% ABV Titanic Brewery, Staffordshire. Est. 1985

This is a truly sumptuous black IPA with an inviting aroma. It is powerfully hopped to provide pleasing citrus notes, a zesty refreshing character and a lasting, clean finish.
Hops: Cascade, Herkules



Dorset Jurassic 4.2% ABV Dorset Brewery, Dorset. Est. 1995

This amber-coloured ale delivers a herbal aroma, leading to a crisp, refreshing character, with a malty backbone and apricot notes, plus a lasting bitterness.
Hops: Challenger, Mount Hood



Lancaster IPA 4.2% ABV Lancaster Brewery, Lancashire. Est. 2005

This beautifully balanced blond ale is packed full of hops, resulting in enticing fruit aromas and a clean, hoppy character, leading to a long, refreshing finish.
Hops: Amarillo (UK grown), Cascade (UK grown), Citra, Simcoe



Hadrian Border Secret Kingdom 4.3% ABV Hadrian Border Brewery, Newcastle upon Tyne. Est. 1992

This ruby-coloured ale is rich and full bodied, with flavours of toasted malt and honey complemented by citrus notes and a pleasing bitterness, leading to a subtle malt finish.
Hops: Admiral, Cascade, Goldings



Purple Moose Whakahari 4.3% ABV Purple Moose Brewery, Gwynedd. Est. 2005

This amber-coloured best bitter is brewed using two New Zealand hop varieties, resulting in a distinctive citrus character in its aroma and flavour.
Hops: Green Bullet, Wakatu



Rebellion Overthrow 4.3% ABV Rebellion Brewery, Buckinghamshire. Est. 1993

This straw-coloured pale ale has a pleasing hop aroma, with citrus, grapefruit and tropical fruit notes enhancing its well-balanced and easy-drinking character.
Hops: Citra, First Gold, Goldings



Salopian Darwin's Origin 4.3% ABV Salopian Brewery, Shropshire. Est. 1995

This multiaward-winning beer is light copper in colour, with its flavour evolving into a fruity hop character, balanced by a refined malt finish. It was voted CAMRA's 'champion session bitter of Britain' and overall bronze-medal winner at the Great British Beer Festival, in 2023.
Hops: Centennial, Mosaic



Acorn Old Moor Porter 4.4% ABV Acorn Brewery, South Yorkshire. Est. 2003

This award-winning, Victorian-style porter is black in colour, with an initial bitterness and hints of liquorice in its flavour, giving way to a smooth, mellow finish.
Hops: Challenger



Arkell's Moonlight 4.5% ABV Arkell's Brewery, Wiltshire. Est. 1843

This auburn-coloured beer delivers a warm, toasty aroma, leading to a distinctive citrusy hop flavour, with predominant lemon notes, balanced by an underlying sweet malt character.
Hops: Celeia, Fuggles, Goldings, Savinjski Goldings



Kirkstall Three Swords 4.5% ABV Kirkstall Brewery, West Yorkshire. Est. 2011

This straw-coloured beer is brewed with a generous blend of three US hop varieties, resulting in a crisp, aromatic character, with clean and refreshing citrus fruit notes.
Hops: Cascade, Centennial, Chinook



Nethergate White Stout 4.5% ABV Nethergate Brewery, Suffolk. Est. 1986

This hazy beer is golden in colour, yet delivers the rich, creamy textures which you would expect from a traditional stout, while its infusion of vanilla pods and cocoa nibs creates silky vanilla notes and hints of chocolate.
Hops: Boadicea, Challenger, Crystal



Green Jack Trawlerboys 4.6% ABV Green Jack Brewery, Suffolk. Est. 2003

This beer is a traditional, copper-coloured best bitter, with berry fruit and hop notes on the aroma, plus a rich, malty flavour and a fruity finish. It was voted CAMRA's 'champion premium beer of Britain' and overall bronze-medal winner in the 'champion beer of Britain' final, in 2024.
Hops: Bramling Cross, Challenger



Loddon Hocus Pocus 4.6% ABV Loddon Brewery, Oxfordshire. Est. 2002

This ruby-red, traditional, old-ale-style beer has a wonderfully hoppy aroma from its blend of hops, complementing the deep malt flavour to deliver a rich, smooth character.
Hops: Fuggles, Goldings, Savinjski Goldings



Hook Norton Double Stout 4.8% ABV Hook Norton Brewery, Oxfordshire. Est. 1849

This ebony stout is brewed to an original 19th-century recipe, with the roasted coffee aroma leading to a unique smooth coffee, chocolate and caramel flavour, with a burnt-oak finish.
Hops: Challenger, Fuggles, Goldings



Wolf Granny Wouldn't Like It 4.8% ABV Wolf Brewery, Norfolk. Est. 1995

This award-winning deep red beer has a pleasing, oaky, sweet aroma, leading to a full-bodied blend of flavours, with a pronounced fruitiness and hints of chocolate and treacle.
Hops: Goldings



Flack's New Forest 4.9% ABV Flack Manor Brewery, Hampshire. Est. 2010

This classic light amber IPA delivers flavours of lemon, grapefruit, tangerine and peach, balanced with a smooth bitterness which leads to a lasting, moreish finish.
Hops: Cashmere, Chinook



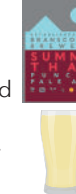
Beartown Bruin's 5.0% ABV Beartown Brewery, Cheshire. Est. 1994

This amber-coloured beer has a robust, nutty aroma, leading to a full, malty character, balanced by plenty of hop flavour and a sweet biscuit finish.
Hops: Challenger, East Kent Goldings, Target



Branscombe Summa That 5.0% ABV Branscombe Brewery, Devon. Est. 1992

This vibrant, punchy, straw-coloured beer is a full-flavoured English pale ale, with its initial malt flavour leading to a hoppy bitterness, along with hints of spice and honey.
Hops: Aurora, First Gold, Goldings, Northern Brewer, Styrian Wolf



Gower Oxwich IPA 5.0% ABV Gower Brewery, West Glamorgan. Est. 2011

This light amber IPA has a bold, hoppy flavour, with plenty of zesty citrus notes, balanced by an underlying malty sweetness – to provide a full, rounded character.
Hops: Admiral, Rakau



Grainstore Ten Fifty 5.0% ABV The Grainstore Brewery, Rutland. Est. 1995

This full-strength, mahogany-coloured beer has a fine balance of hop bitterness and malty sweetness, creating a potent (yet easily drinkable) character.
Hops: Bramling Cross, Challenger, Fuggles



Loch Lomond Lost in Mosaic 5.0% ABV Loch Lomond Brewery, Dumbarton, West Dunbartonshire. Est. 2011

This golden New World IPA has citrus and pineapple aromas, leading to flavours of melon and orange, balanced by subtle malt notes and resulting in a fresh citrus finish.
Hops: Citra, Mosaic



Ramsgate Gadds' No 3 5.0% ABV Ramsgate Brewery, Kent. Est. 2002

This straw-coloured ale has a hoppy aroma, with hints of lemon, leading to a balanced flavour of biscuity malt and tangy, spicy hops, giving a lingering, balanced, bitter finish.
Hops: East Kent Goldings



Welbeck Abbey Cavendish 5.0% ABV Welbeck Abbey Brewery, Nottinghamshire. Est. 2011

This blond beer is brewed in the style of an American pale ale, with crisp, zingy grapefruit flavours beautifully balanced by an emerging light, sweet malt base.
Hops: Brewer's Gold, Cascade, Chinook



Goddards Duck's Folly 5.2% ABV Goddards Brewery, Isle of Wight. Est. 1993

This is a traditionally brewed, deep amber-coloured beer with spicy English hop aromas, leading to a full-bodied flavour and a complex sweetness to complement the dry, hoppy finish.
Hops: Fuggles, Goldings



Magpie Jay IPA 5.2% ABV Magpie Brewery, Nottinghamshire. Est. 2006

This golden IPA is bursting with British hops, imparting a fruity citrus nose, followed by a balance of malt and hop notes in the refreshing flavour, resulting in a lasting, smooth, citrus finish.
Hops: Cascade (UK grown), Jester, Pioneer



East London Quadrant 5.5% ABV East London Brewery, London. Est. 2011

This dark mahogany oatmeal stout has a silky mouthfeel, with chocolate and rich dark fruit flavours, together with hints of coffee, leading to a satisfying, smooth finish.
Hops: Fuggles, Goldings



Ilkley Lotus 5.5% ABV Ilkley Brewery, West Yorkshire. Est. 2009

This deep golden IPA has a full aroma of tropical fruits, leading to a smooth, full flavour, with a fine balance of malt and juicy, fruity hop notes, resulting in a lasting bitterness in the finish.
Hops: Comet, Ekuantot, Mosaic, Rakau



Exmoor Beast 6.6% ABV Exmoor Ales, Somerset. Est. 1980

This deep mahogany porter-style beer has an aroma in which espresso, currants, cocoa and rum can be detected, while its complex flavour has hints of fruit cake and chocolate, before a spicy hoppiness develops in its long aftertaste.
Hops: Challenger, First Gold, Goldings



REAL-ALE TYPES



Pale; very light; blond; straw

Golden

Amber; mid brown

Dark brown; ruby

Black; deep ruby; very dark

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