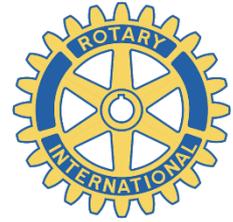


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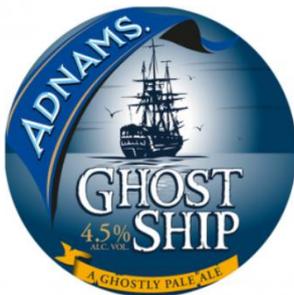
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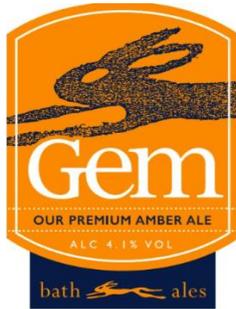
(Breweries listed A-Z)



Adnam's Ghost Ship IPA - ABV: 4.5%

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Ghost Ship IPA pours a deep golden amber with a foamy white head and inviting clarity. The aroma is vibrant, delivering zesty citrus, pine resin, and hints of tropical fruit. On the palate, bold flavours of grapefruit, orange peel and subtle caramel malt are balanced by a robust, lingering bitterness. The finish is crisp and refreshing, making Ghost Ship IPA an excellent choice for those who enjoy a modern British IPA with a lively hop character and a satisfying dry finish.



Bath Ales Gem – ABV: 4.1%

Sponsored by Dart Marina Hotel

Bath Gem pours a deep amber colour with a creamy off-white head and gentle carbonation. The aroma is inviting, offering rich notes of caramel, toffee, and biscuit, complemented by subtle hints of earthy hops. On the palate, expect a smooth and rounded malt character, balanced by a delicate sweetness and a gentle, lingering bitterness. The finish is warm and satisfying, making Bath Gem a classic British ale that's both comforting and full of flavour.



Bays Brewery Devon Dumpling – ABV: 5.1%

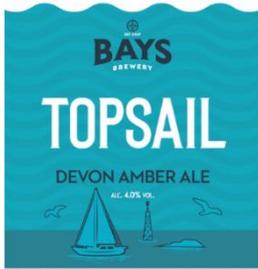
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Devon Dumpling pours a bright golden colour with a fluffy white head and lively carbonation. The aroma is fresh and inviting, featuring notes of citrus, soft fruits, and a gentle floral hop lift. On the palate, expect a full-bodied malt character, balanced by zesty lemon and subtle grassy hop flavours. The finish is crisp and moreish, with a delicate bitterness that lingers pleasantly, making Devon Dumpling a refreshing and characterful Devonshire ale.



Bays Brewery Up The Creek – ABV: 4.5%

Up The Creek pours a rich copper colour with a creamy white head and lively carbonation. The aroma is enticing, offering notes of caramel, toasted malt, and a hint of dried fruit, complemented by subtle earthy hops. On the palate, expect a robust malt profile with layers of biscuit, toffee, and gentle citrus, balanced by a warming bitterness. The finish is smooth and well-rounded, leaving a pleasant, lingering sweetness that makes Up the Creek a bold yet approachable Devon Ale.



Bays Brewery Topsail – ABV: 4.0%

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Topsail pours a clear, golden amber with a frothy white head and lively effervescence. The aroma reveals vibrant citrus and floral hop notes, underpinned by hints of honeyed malt. On the palate, expect a refreshing blend of crisp biscuit malt, zesty orange peel, and a touch of grassy hop bitterness. The finish is bright and clean, with a lingering, subtly citrus character that makes Topsail a thoroughly enjoyable session Devon ale.



Black Sheep Brewery Best Bitter – ABV: 3.8%

Black Sheep Best Bitter pours a rich copper colour with a creamy, persistent head. The aroma is inviting, featuring a blend of fresh hops, earthy undertones, and a hint of malt sweetness. On the palate, it delivers a balanced combination of biscuit malt, citrusy hop notes, and a gentle bitterness that lingers pleasantly. The finish is clean and refreshing, making this a quintessential British bitter, perfect for those who enjoy traditional, well-crafted ales.



Butcombe Original – ABV: 4.00%

Sponsored by Premier Inn Dartmouth

Butcombe Original pours a deep amber with a creamy, lasting head and excellent clarity. The aroma is rich, offering inviting notes of caramel malt, earthy hops and a subtle hint of fruit. On the palate, a smooth balance of biscuit malt, gentle bitterness and light citrus comes through, delivering a classic British bitter character. The finish is crisp and satisfying, making Butcombe Original a reliable choice for those who appreciate a well-rounded, traditional pint.



Dartmoor Brewery Dartmoor Legend – ABV: 4.4%

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Dartmoor Legend pours a clear, tawny amber with a creamy off-white head and gentle carbonation. The aroma is invitingly malty, showcasing notes of caramel, dried fruit, and a subtle earthy hop character. On the palate, expect a well-balanced blend of smooth toffee malt, delicate fruitiness, and a touch of roasted grain, complemented by soft, herbal hops. The finish is clean and mellow, with a gentle sweetness and a pleasant, lingering bitterness, making Dartmoor Legend a classic, easy-drinking Devon ale.



Hanlons Devon Born - ABV: 4.5%

Sponsored by Dave Bond Antiques

Hanlons Devon Born is a robust amber ale, pouring a rich copper hue with a creamy off-white head. The aroma is inviting, featuring notes of toasted malt, caramel and a touch of earthy hops. On the palate, expect layers of biscuit and nutty malt flavours, balanced by gentle citrus and herbal hop undertones. The finish is satisfyingly smooth, with a subtle bitterness that lingers, making this ale a comforting choice for those seeking depth and character in their beer.



Hanlons Yellow Hammer - ABV: 4.2%

Hanlons Yellow Hammer is a vibrant and refreshing golden ale, pouring a clear pale gold with a delicate white head. On the nose, it offers enticing aromas of citrus, elderflower and a subtle hint of honey. The palate is well-balanced, showcasing zesty lemon and grapefruit notes, complemented by a gentle malt sweetness and a soft, biscuity backbone. The finish is crisp and clean with a lingering floral bitterness that invites another sip. A perfect session ale for those who appreciate light, aromatic, and easy-drinking beers.



Hanlons Malt House Ale - ABV: 4.0%

Hanlons Malt House Ale is a classic English ale, pouring a deep golden amber with a fine, creamy head. The aroma is layered, offering rich malt notes, hints of caramel, and a gentle touch of floral hops. On the palate it delivers a smooth, rounded malt body, complemented by subtle toffee flavours and a delicate earthy bitterness. The finish is balanced and mellow, leaving a pleasant, lightly sweet aftertaste. This ale is ideal for those who appreciate traditional, full-flavoured brews.



Hobgoblin Gold - ABV 4.2%

Hobgoblin Gold pours a radiant golden colour with a lively white head, showcasing excellent clarity. The aroma bursts with citrus and tropical fruit notes, supported by a subtle biscuity malt backbone. On the palate, bright flavours of grapefruit, passionfruit and lemon are complemented by a gentle sweetness and a crisp, refreshing bitterness. The finish is clean and invigorating, making Hobgoblin Gold a refreshing choice for those who enjoy a modern golden ale with a vibrant hop character.



Hunts Cider: Bull Walloper – ABV: 7.2%

Hunts Cider Bull Walloper pours a pale straw colour with a gentle effervescence and a light, inviting sparkle. The aroma is fresh and rustic, with notes of crisp apple, subtle orchard blossom, and a delicate hint of earthiness. On the palate, expect a lively blend of tangy apple flavours, a touch of natural sweetness, and a well-balanced, refreshing acidity. The finish is clean and slightly dry, leaving a lingering impression of fresh-pressed apples—a perfect choice for those who enjoy a classic, handcrafted West Country cider.



Hunts Cider: Wobbler – ABV: 6.00%

Hunts Cider Wobbler pours a bright straw yellow, displaying a lively sparkle and a fine, gentle effervescence. The aroma is vibrant and fresh, featuring pronounced notes of juicy apple, a hint of orchard blossom, and delicate undertones of citrus. On the palate, expect a refreshing burst of crisp apple flavours, balanced by a subtle sweetness and a well-rounded tartness. The finish is clean and slightly dry, making Wobbler an appealing choice for those who appreciate a classic, easy-drinking West Country cider with a modern twist.



Hunts Cider: Barn Screecher – ABV: 6.2%

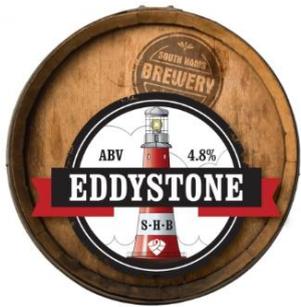
Hunts Cider Barn Screecher pours a pale golden colour with a lively effervescence and a delicate, inviting sparkle. The aroma is bright and fresh, revealing notes of crisp orchard apples, hints of citrus, and a gentle floral undertone. On the palate, expect a harmonious balance of tangy apple flavours, subtle sweetness, and a refreshing, well-rounded acidity. The finish is clean and slightly dry, leaving a lingering impression of fresh fruit—an excellent choice for those seeking a vibrant, handcrafted West Country cider.



Salopian Brewery Lemon Dream – ABV: 4.5%

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Lemon Dream pours a pale straw yellow with a delicate white head and lively carbonation. The aroma is bright and zesty, featuring pronounced lemon notes alongside gentle floral hops and a touch of biscuit malt. On the palate, expect a refreshing burst of citrus, subtle sweetness, and a crisp malt backbone, balanced by a clean, quenching finish. The lingering lemon character makes Lemon Dream a vibrant, easy-drinking golden ale, perfect for warmer days.



South Hams Brewery Eddystone – ABV: 4.8%

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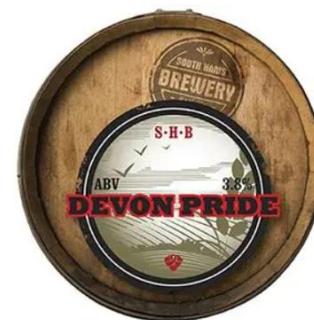
South Hams Brewery Eddystone pours a bright golden hue with a crisp, white head. The aroma features fresh citrus, floral hops, and a gentle biscuit malt backdrop. On the palate, lively lemon and grapefruit notes mingle with a subtle malt sweetness, balanced by a clean, refreshing bitterness. The finish is dry and invigorating, making Eddystone a superb choice for those seeking a classic, thirst-quenching British golden ale.



South Hams Brewery Wild Blonde – ABV: 4.4%

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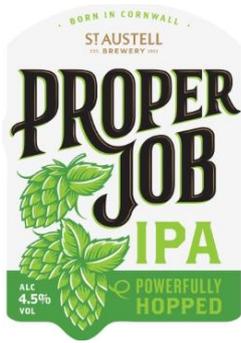
Wild Blonde pours a bright, pale gold with a lively white head, offering an inviting clarity in the glass. The aroma is fresh and vibrant, featuring hints of citrus zest, light floral notes, and a subtle touch of honey. On the palate, expect crisp, refreshing flavours of lemon and grapefruit, complemented by a gentle malt sweetness and a delicate herbal hop finish. The aftertaste is clean and lightly dry, making Wild Blonde an excellent choice for those who appreciate a modern, easy-drinking blonde ale with a refreshing character.



South Hams Brewery Devon Pride - ABV: 4.1%

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South Hams Brewery Devon Pride pours a clear amber with a creamy, lasting head. The aroma is inviting, offering subtle hints of caramel and toasted malt, balanced by a delicate floral hop presence. On the palate, expect a harmonious blend of gentle malt sweetness and light citrus notes, complemented by a soft, earthy bitterness. The finish is smooth and refreshing, making Devon Pride a classic session ale that's both approachable and full of character—ideal for those who enjoy traditional, well-balanced British beers.



St Austell Brewery Proper Job – ABV: 4.5%

Sponsored by Mr Martin Nutt

Proper Job pours a clear, golden hue with a persistent white head and lively carbonation. The aroma is bold and hoppy, bursting with notes of grapefruit, pine, and a hint of floral citrus. On the palate, expect assertive flavours of zesty citrus, resinous hops, and a subtle biscuity malt backbone. The bitterness is robust yet balanced, leading to a long, dry finish that makes Proper Job a standout choice for those who appreciate a classic, full-flavoured British IPA.



St Austell Brewery Trelawny – ABV: 4.5%

Trelawny pours a rich amber colour with a creamy off-white head and sparkling clarity. The aroma is invitingly fruity, with notes of apricot, peach, and a gentle floral hop character. On the palate, expect a smooth, malty backbone balanced by soft, biscuity sweetness and hints of toffee, complemented by subtle stone fruit and earthy hops. The finish is mellow and satisfying, with a gentle bitterness and a lingering fruity note, making Trelawny a delightful, easy-drinking Cornish ale.



Thistly Cross Whisky Cask Cider – ABV: 6.75%

Sponsored by Dudley's Café, Lower Street, Dartmouth

Thistly Cross Whisky Cask Cider pours a rich golden hue with a gentle effervescence and inviting clarity. The aroma blends mellow apples with subtle whisky oak notes, offering hints of vanilla and dried fruit. On the palate, expect a harmonious marriage of sweet apple, gentle smokiness, and warming whisky character, finished with a smooth, lingering dryness that makes this cider both distinctive and memorable. Vegan and gluten Free.



Young's London Original – ABV: 3.7%

Young's London Original pours a bright amber with a creamy, well-formed head and excellent clarity. The aroma is inviting, offering subtle notes of biscuit malt, caramel, and a gentle hint of earthy hops. On the palate, expect a balanced profile of smooth malt sweetness, light fruit tones, and a crisp, refreshing bitterness. The finish is clean and dry, making London Original a classic British bitter—easy-drinking and full of character, ideal for those who appreciate a traditional pint with a modern twist

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