UK BELGIAN BEER WEEK

23 FEBRUARY TO
01 MARCH 2026





BREWERIES FEATURED:

Boon, Chimay, De Halve Maan, De La Senne, Delirium, Duchesse de Bourgogne, Dupont, Kasteel, La Chouffe, St Bernardus, Timmermans, Westmalle, and many more

A WEEK LONG CELEBRATION OF ONE OF THE PLANET'S MOST DIVERSE BEER CULTURE'S, PRESENTED THROUGH THE UK'S WIDEST SELECTION OF BELGIAN BEER.

All year round we carry just over three hundred Belgian beer SKUs available in kegs, bottles, and even cans.

In the last week of February we turn that up a notch, with a dozen visiting brewery representatives holding events all around the country, and our exploration of this incredible beer scene expands even further.

Join in and celebrate Belgian beer by picking up some from the range.



WHAT MAKES BELGIAN BEER SO SPECIAL?

BEER CAFÉ CULTURE

Almost impossible to replicate due to their intangible ‘Belgian’ atmosphere, known locally as ‘brown cafés’ partly due to their oak panelling, and partly due to decades of customers drinking beautiful Belgian beer and enjoying a smoke (pre 2011 smoking ban). Old tin signs advertising breweries adorn the walls, and above the bar are racks of glassware in an array of shapes and sizes. The beer menu enormous, and probably entirely Belgian, with a clientele that could be similarly described.

KNIGHTHOOD OF THE BREWER'S MASH STAFF

The Union of Belgian Brewers is one of the oldest trade guilds in the world, dating back to the 14th century. In an annual ceremony the Union welcomes new members to the Knighthood, recognising those who have done important work to further the message of Belgian beer in the country or abroad. Our very own Ian Clay, Nigel Stevenson, and James Clay are proud members of the Knighthood, recognised for their work promoting Belgian beer in the UK.







PROTECTED APPELLATIONS

As a long established centre of government and administration it’s unsurprising to see that Belgian protection for beer is built into their own laws and European regulations, with laws governing the production and naming of Trappist and lambic beers.

BELGIAN HOPS

Belgium is not particularly globally recognised as a hop growing nation, but there is a fiercely proud scene of independent hop farmers in the country. There are currently 23 hop farms in Belgium, all of which are independently family owned, growing around 181 hectares of superbly characterful hops, the majority of which are grown in the vicinity of Poperinge in West Flanders.

UNESCO LISTING

The importance of beer culture in Belgium has been globally recognised by its addition to the UNESCO list of Intangible Cultural Heritage of Humanity. This list recognises the tradition, and living practices of global cultures, in order to safeguard them and pass them on to future generations to enhance worldwide cultural diversity.



WHAT KIND OF BEER DO THEY MAKE IN BELGIUM?

BELGIAN BEER COVERS AN INCREDIBLE DEPTH OF FLAVOUR PROFILES WITH UNIQUE STYLES RANGING ACROSS THE ENTIRE SPECTRUM OF ABV, SWEETNESS/DRYNESS, COLOUR, ACIDITY, AND ADJUNCTS. IF THERE'S A DISH YOU'RE LOOKING TO PAIR SOMETHING WITH, BELGIAN BEER ALMOST CERTAINLY HAS THE PERFECT SOLUTION. HERE'S A CLOSER LOOK AT A SELECTION OF SOME OF THE KEY STYLES WITHIN THE COMPLEX RAINBOW THAT MAKES UP BELGIAN BEER.

DUBBEL

Known colloquially by the monks at Westmalle Abbey as 'liquid sandwiches' because the monks were served two glasses of beer alongside breakfast. A thoroughly nourishing beer style, dubbel is satisfyingly rich and bready, with notes of banana and roasted coffee, backed up with a light elegant sweetness.

TRIPEL

An immensely aromatic beer style, crammed full of peppery, earthy spice notes and fruity esters. Due to their glorious aroma, dry finish, and sizeable ABV, tripels are the perfect partner to Belgium's culinary landscape, typically served alongside cheese, or even moules frites. Suspiciously easy drinking, tripel can easily sneak up on you despite an ABV of around 9%.



QUADRUPEL

A style so luxurious it almost doesn't seem possible that it could come from Belgium's monastic brewing tradition. Deep rich flavours of molasses, rum, raisins, and licorice, all achieved through the mastery of fermentation. Dark candi sugar is used alongside an expansive malt bill, and fermented with a high ester producing yeast to build these intense flavours without any shortcuts. Considerably punchy, generally weighing in around 8-12% ABV, quadrupels make for an exceptional nightcap.

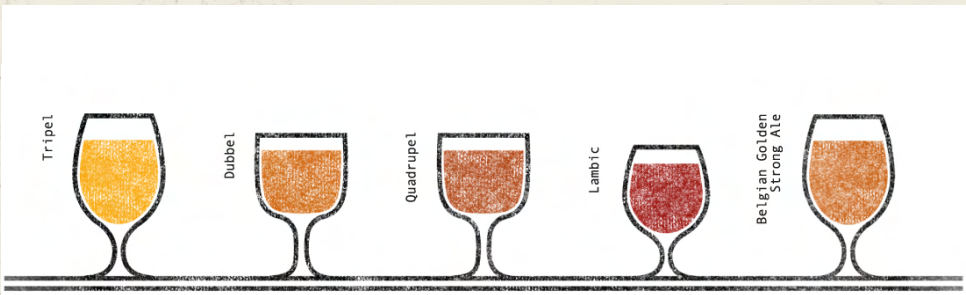


LAMBIC

The unique speciality of the Pajottenland region surrounding Brussels. An incredibly complex style involving a baffling mash schedule that creates cloudy protein rich wort, boiling with aged hops, and cooling in an open coolship to allow inoculation with wild yeasts and bacteria that will eventually develop complex sour flavours in the beer. The wort continues to ferment in barrels for a number of years, eventually being blended to create gueuze, or macerated with fruits. These beers are so special to the Belgians that they applied to the EU to have a protected 'Traditional Status Guaranteed' given to the style to protect the geographical origin of lambic.

BELGIAN GOLDEN STRONG ALE

These beers are closely related to tripels in terms of recipe and ingredients, but favour the expression of fruit fermentation aromas to spicy ones. With this style we see a crossover between Belgian and British brewing heritage, as the yeast strain used to create Duvel (the benchmark of the style), was originally propagated from McEwan's Scotch Ale shortly after the First World War. Extremely dry in the finish due to the addition of dextrose and other sugars during fermentation.





WHAT KIND OF GLASSWARE DO THEY USE?

BELGIAN BRANDS PRODUCE SOME OF THE MOST ICONIC GLASSWARE IN THE BEER WORLD AND ARE ABSOLUTELY INSISTENT THAT THEIR SPECIFIC GLASS IS THE ONLY OPTION FOR SERVING THEIR BEER IN. AT JAMES CLAY WE TAKE THIS AS SERIOUSLY AS THE BRANDS THEMSELVES DO AND HAVE AN ENORMOUS RANGE OF GLASSWARE AVAILABLE TO MAKE SURE YOU CAN PROPERLY SERVE THESE SPECIAL BEERS. ASK YOUR ACCOUNT MANAGER FOR AVAILABILITY

CHALICE

The chalice glass is the go to shape for Trappist brewers, synonymous with the chalice used to share communion wine during mass. The wide mouth of the chalice allows the drinker to get their nose as close as possible while drinking and make most of the incredible aromas within the beer. The shape of the glass will also allow a stable fluffy head to be maintained throughout the drink, protecting the beer underneath. Contrary to the subdued nature of Trappist monastery life, these glasses are often adorned with golden detailing, particularly around the rim.

FLUTE

Similar to the shape used for Champagne, the flute design is ideal for highly carbonated beers such as Gueuze, with the shape maintaining the fine carbonation for longer. The sight of the bubbles cascading up the glass sets the mouth watering immediately.



TULIP

Named after its resemblance to the flower, with a big balloon body tapering up to the neck before opening back up again. Particularly well suited to sweeter Belgian styles with plenty of yeasty aromatics.

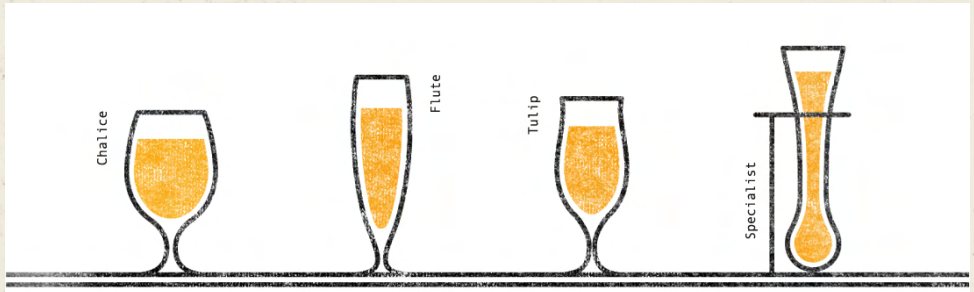
SPECIALIST

There are some Belgian glasses that completely defy any attempt at classification, partly functional glass, partly marketing gimmick. Some have such irregular shapes that they require little wooden stands to avoid making a dreadful mess all over the bar. With glasses like these it's not uncommon to be asked to leave a deposit, and in some cases one of your shoes will be taken as security to stop you running off with your fancy glassware.

CLEANING

In Belgium they take care of glassware extremely seriously to ensure every serve is perfect. Almost all Belgian beer bars will wash glassware by hand, rather than with a machine. Each glass is rinsed in cold water after cleaning, and then dried off by hand to make sure the pour is perfect and there isn't any leftover detergent or nucleation points that would spoil the head formation.





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WHAT IS TRAPPIST BEER, AND WHY DOES IT MATTER?

One of the world's most widely respected and ancient brewing cultures.

The International Trappist Association represents 20 monasteries from the Cistercian Order of the Strict Observance and choose to live their lives by the motto of Saint Benedict "Ora et Labor" (Prayer and Work). As a result of this these monasteries work to produce goods in order to cover the expenses of their day to day running and upkeep, and are strictly not for profit, with any additional funds being reinvested into the community or monastery. There are 11 Trappist monasteries producing beer worldwide (5 in Belgium, 2 in the Netherlands, 1 in Italy, 1 in Austria, 1 in Spain, and 1 in the UK), allowed to carry the official Authentic Trappist Product logo on their label.

In order to qualify for this label a Trappist brewery must adhere to the following regulations:

The beer must be brewed within the walls of a Trappist monastery, either by the monks themselves or under their supervision.

The brewery must be of secondary importance within the monastery and it should witness to the business practices proper to a monastic way of life.



The brewery is not intended to be a profit-making venture. The income covers the living expenses of the monks and the maintenance of the buildings and grounds. Whatever remains is donated to charity for social work and to help persons in need.

Despite many Trappist monasteries producing beers in similar styles, there is no stylistic qualification to being a Trappist brewery. In 2018 the Mount Saint Bernard monastery in Leicestershire began producing beer, combining English brewing tradition with the Trappist approach.

WHY SHOULD YOU POUR BELGIAN BEER?

Belgian Beer has always been a cornerstone of the James Clay and Sons business, going back to 1978 when founder Ian Clay set out to offer something different to the customers of his pub. At this point in time UK breweries had been consolidated down to a tiny handful, and plurality of flavour had been sidelined for a long time.

A keen mountaineer and traveller in general, Ian knew that there was plenty more the world had to offer in terms of beer, and supported by his wife Ann, in partnership with his friend Andrew Armstrong they begun to import beers, starting with Lindeboom Pilnser from the Netherlands, but quickly expanding into Belgian breweries.

These proved a hit with his local customers, and soon word spread, and other bar and shop owners began to request a handful of cases to jazz up their beer ranges too.

Coming up for half a century later, the same things still set Belgian beer apart:



- Unique glassware, that once the first glass is passed over the bar, the entire pub soon orders, desperate to find out what special beer was in that ornate glass.

- Depth of styles and flavour, unparalleled in any other beer culture, beer lover or not, there's a flavour profile to suit you expressed in Belgian Beer

- History and stories, properly celebrated, and recognised by UNESCO in 2016 as part of humanity's intangible cultural heritage

- Profitability from beers with exceptional flavour, production methods, adjuncts, and heritage that customers are willing to pay a premium for

BROUWERIJ BOON

Starting off as a passion project by the then 21 year old Frank Boon, Boon has risen to become a household name within Belgian Beer, recognised worldwide.

Now in the second generation, they continue to work with Frank's ethos, protecting the traditional methods of Lambic production, and supporting others within the community to continue to safeguard the style and maintain the standards that make it so special.

FOUNDED BY:
Frank Boon

FOUNDED:
1978

ORIGIN:
Lembeek, Belgium

ESSENTIAL BEER



KRIEK BOON

This is how Kriek beer was meant to taste.

Kriek Boon is a spontaneously fermented beer made from old and young Lambic matured in oak barrels. Produced only using real, fresh cherries without adding any concentrates. Kriek Boon is made with no less than 250 grams of fresh cherries per litre. The fermentation of these cherries with the young Lambic beer gives Kriek Boon its fine authentic taste.

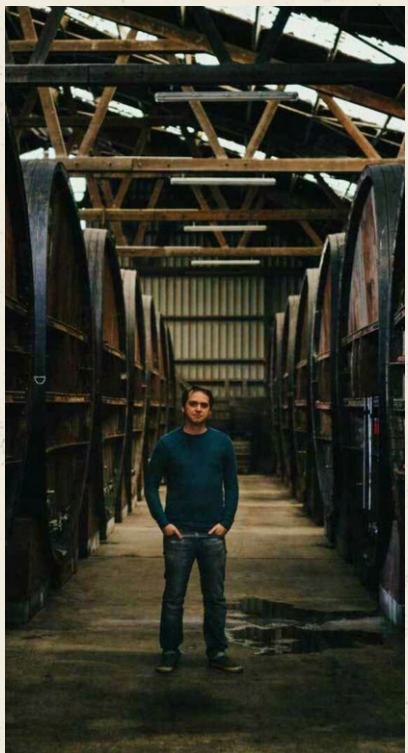
ABV: 4.0%

STYLE: Cherry Lambic

PACKAGE: 30L Keg (S)
£151.95 trade

12 x 37.5cl Bottles
£35.88 trade





LISTED RANGE

Gueze Boon	7.0%	Oude Geuze	12 x 37.5cl	Bottles	£39.31 Trade
Framboise Boon	5.0%	Raspberry lambic	12 x 37.5cl	Bottles	£46.63 Trade
Geuze Mariage Parfait	8.0%	Oude Geuze	12 x 37.5cl	Bottles	£48.75 Trade
Kriek Mariage Parfait	8.0%	Oude Kriek	12 x 37.5cl	Bottles	£62.05 Trade

LIMITED RELEASES

Duivelsbier Dark	8.0%	Dark Strong Ale	20 Litre	Kegs	£116.5 Trade
Duivelsbier Dark	8.0%	Dark Strong Ale	12 x 33cl	Bottles	£26.58 Trade
Duivelsbier Wild	6.3%	Bretted Blond Ale	20 Litre	Kegs	£116.50 Trade
Duivelsbier Wild	6.3%	Bretted Blond Ale	12 x 33cl	Bottles	£26.53 Trade
Framboise Boon	5.0%	Raspberry lambic	20 Litre	Kegs	£138.33 Trade
Geuze Selection	6.3%	Geuze Blend	20 Litre	Kegs	£151.75 Trade
Black Label No.8	7.0%	Oude Gueuze	6 x 75cl	Bottles	£45.98 Trade
Black Label No.10	7.0%	Oude Gueuze	6 x 75cl	Bottles	£45.98 Trade
Coigneau	8.7%	Ancient Hop Oude Gueuze	6 x 75cl	Bottles	£80.27 Trade
Millesime	6.0%	Schaarbeekse Kriek	6 x 75cl	Bottles	£59.54 Trade
Remy Le Mercier		Historical Recipe Oude Gueuze	6 x 75cl	Bottles	£83.30 Trade
Vat 31	8.5%	Oude Gueuze	12 x 37.5cl	Bottles	£96.65 Trade

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CHIMAY

The monks of Scourmont Abbey have been brewing for over 150 years, producing world-class Trappist beer in their austere, peaceful monastery on a wild plateau in Hainaut, one of Belgium's Southern provinces.

For many years, the work of the monks was the cultivation of their fields but, in keeping with other historic monasteries, the passing of time increased the demands of self sufficiency. This led the brothers to develop cottage industries producing cheese and beer, the latter of which flourished into something much larger in scale.

FOUNDED BY:
Scourmont Abbey

FOUNDED:
1862

ORIGIN:
Hainaut, Belgium

ESSENTIAL BEER



CHIMAY GOLD

Brewed from very similar ingredients as the Red, but paler and spiced with coriander. It was intended only to be consumed by the abbey monks, or at the nearby inn, Auberge de Poteaupre, which is associated with the abbey. The d'Oree (Gold) is now widely available to consumers.

The lower alochol content of Chimay Gold does nothing to diminish its flavour, distinguished by an exhilirating smell of refreshing coriander and refined hops. Its spicy flavour lingers well into the light dry aftertaste as the perfect conclusion to this elevated tasting experience.

ABV: 4.8%

STYLE: Trappist Blonde

PACKAGE: 20L Keg (A)
£108.06 trade

24 x 33cl Returnable Bottles
£43.85 trade

LISTED RANGE

Chimay Red	7.0%	Trappist Dubbel	24 x 33cl	RB Btl	£49.96 Trade
Chimay White	8.0%	Trappist Tripel	24 x 33cl	RB Btl	£55.03 Trade
Chimay Blue	9.0%	Trappist Quadrupel	24 x 33cl	RB Btl	£70.53 Trade
Chimay 150	10.0%	Trappist Strong Blonde	24 x 33cl	RB Btl	£76.53 Trade



LIMITED RELEASES

Chimay 150	10.0%	Trappist Strong Blonde	20 Litre	Kegs	£187.85 Trade
Chimay 175	6.5%	Trappist Blond	6 x 75cl	Bottles	£44.77 Trade
Chimay 175	6.5%	Trappist Blond	20 Litre	Kegs	£119.23 Trade
Chimay Red	7.0%	Trappist Dubbel	20 Litre	Kegs	£124.09 Trade
Chimay White	8.0%	Trappist Tripel	20 Litre	Kegs	£135.57 Trade
Chimay Blue	9.0%	Trappist Quadrupel	20 Litre	Kegs	£187.36 Trade
Grande Reserve Brandy	10.5%	Brandy BA Quadrupel	6 x 75cl	Bottles	£115.30 Trade
Grande Reserve Rhum	10.5%	Rum BA Quadrupel	6 x 75cl	Bottles	£115.30 Trade



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CHOUFFE

Once upon a time, in the Valée des Fées, two brothers in law turned the first page in the story of La Chouffe. On the 27th of August 1982, in a garage in rural Belgium, the very first tiny 49 Litre batch of a very special Blonde ale was brewed.

Very quickly, additional chapters were added to the tale. Chris and Pierre expanded the brewkit and went full time. By 1992 they were producing ten thousand times more than that first little test batch, and eventually a globally renowned brand was born.

FOUNDED BY:
Chris Brauweraerts and Pierre Gobron

FOUNDED:
1982

ORIGIN:
Achouffe, Belgium

ESSENTIAL BEER



LA CHOUFFE

Sip, savour, and feel the freshness. As the Chouffe brewery's first creation, La Chouffe gets off the mark with its signature citrusy notes, and triumphs with a pleasantly spicy finish. Forty fantastic years since its launch, La Chouffe is the go-to beer for shared moments: after a brisk walk, around a campfire with friends, a true icon.

ABV: 8.0%

STYLE: Belgian Strong Ale

PACKAGE: 20L Keg (A)
£124.56 trade

12 x 33cl Bottles
£28.79 trade

LISTED RANGE

Chouffe Session	4.0%	Belgian Blonde Ale	20 Litre	Kegs	£83.83 Trade
Chouffe Cherry	8.0%	Cherry Dark Ale	20 Litre	Kegs	£136.86 Trade
Chouffe Cherry	8.0%	Cherry Dark Ale	12 x 33cl	Bottles	£30.69 Trade
Chouffe IPA	9.0%	Belgian IPA	20 Litre	Kegs	£165.80
Chouffe 0.4%	0.4%	Alcohol Free Blond Ale	12 x 33cl	Bottles	£18.50 Trade





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DE HALVE MAAN

Located right in the heart of picture postcard Bruges, De Halve Maan are a truly authentic family brewery behind the legendary Brugse Zot and Straffe Hendrik brands (among others too).

Brewing was an art that was passed down from generation to generation. Today, Xavier Vanneste is the sixth generation of De Halve Maan. His ambition is to continue and uphold the family traditions.

From horse and cart deliveries to beer transportation through a 3,3km pipeline, they always look to innovate.

FOUNDED BY:
Leon Maes

FOUNDED:
1856

ORIGIN:
Bruges, Belgium

ESSENTIAL BEER



BRUGSE ZOT

Quintessentially Belgian, the beer has a big body, with fruity banana notes from the yeast blended with complimentary hops. Secondary fermentation in the bottle leads to a long maturation process and a soft carbonation.

The beer takes it's name from a historical wisecrack about the city's townsfolk. Brugse Zot means 'Bruges Fools' which also explains the jester that adorns the label.

ABV: 6.0%

STYLE: Belgian Blonde Ale

PACKAGE: 30L Keg (A)
£157.72 trade

24 x 33cl Returnable Bottles
£47.58 trade





LISTED RANGE

Sport Zot	0.4%	Low Alcohol Blonde	24 x 33cl	Bottles	£45.92 Trade
Brugse Zot Brune	7.5%	Dubbel	24 x 33cl	Bottles	£58.56 Trade
Straffe Hendrik Tripel	9.0%	Tripel	24 x 33cl	Bottles	£76.60 Trade
Straffe Hendrik Quadrupel	11.0%	Quadrupel	24 x 33cl	Bottles	£81.60 Trade

LIMITED RELEASES

Brugse Zot Brune	7.5%	Dubbel	20 Litre	Kegs	£114.50 Trade
Straffe Hendrik Tripel	9.0%	Tripel	20 Litre	Kegs	£163.96 Trade
Straffe Hendrik Quadrupel	11.0%	Quadrupel	20 Litre	Kegs	£186.11 Trade
Straffe Hendrik Xmas Blend	11.0%	BA Quadrupel Blend	20 Litre	Kegs	£233.72 Trade
Straffe Hendrik Wild	10.0%	Bretted Tripel	24 x 33cl	Bottles	£81.10 Trade

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DE LA SENNE

Co-founder Yvan de Baets jokes that when they established their brewery in Brussels they doubled the number of breweries in the famous city, and the person that previously did so was probably a thousand years ago.

Relentlessly driven by a pursuit of flavour, most notably a passion for bitterness, they specialise in beers light in alcohol for Belgium (arguably normal strength for the UK).

Brewing with conviction and a healthy obsession with quality, they've already established some of their beers as modern classics.

FOUNDED BY:
Yvan de Baets and Bernard Leboucq

FOUNDED:
2003

ORIGIN:
Brussels, Belgium

ESSENTIAL BEER



TARAS BOULBA

Taras Boulba is a thirst-quencher, light and refreshing, but with a well-affirmed character. Blond and slightly hazy, it develops fragrances of noble hops in dry hopping, which give it herbal, floral, and light citrus notes. It has a powerful bitterness and a dry finale. Its profile is completed by malty notes of fresh cereals, as well as by fruity/spicy fermentation flavours.

ABV: 4.5%

STYLE: Hoppy Belgian Pale Ale

PACKAGE: 30L Keg (A)
£125.57 trade

24 x 33cl Bottles
£44.41 trade

LIMITED RELEASES





Crianza	7.4%	Flanders Red	24 x 33cl	Bottles	£66.20 Trade
Jambe de Bois	8.0%	Hoppy Tripel	24 x 33cl	Bottles	£56.84 Trade
Nitro Stouterik	4.8%	Belgian Dry Stout	20 Litre	Kegs	£112.79 Trade
Petit Boulba	2.5%	Hoppy Light Ale	20 Litre	Kegs	£72.69 Trade
Saison De La Senne	5.3%	Saison/Cantillon Lambic Blend	24 x 33cl	Bottles	£65.50 Trade
Stouterik	4.8%	Belgian Dry Stout	24 x 33cl	Bottles	£48.71 Trade
Zinnebir	5.8%	Belgian Pale Ale	20 Litre	Kegs	£148.73 Trade
Zinnebir	5.8%	Belgian Pale Ale	24 x 33cl	Bottles	£81.10 Trade

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DELIRIUM

Delirium is hard to miss. All you have to do is follow the pink elephant.

It all started in 1910 when Leon Huyghe acquired the local brewery in Melle. A standard Pilsner remained the brewer's mainstay for most of the 20th century, but then in the 1980s along came a line of more divergent creations, each sporting a fetching pink elephant.

The first, Delirium Tremens, achieved fame as the 'Best Beer in the World' in 2008. And stablemates Delirium Nocturnum and Red, have been joined by a celebrated Christmas Ale, consistently reaping a haul of global awards.

FOUNDED BY:
Leon Huyghe

FOUNDED:
1910

ORIGIN:
Melle, Belgium

ESSENTIAL BEER



DELIRIUM TREMENS

A cult beer of Belgium. A strong golden ale with fine effervescence building a stable and rocky head. Slightly malty with a nice touch of alcohol heat to make the mouth water.

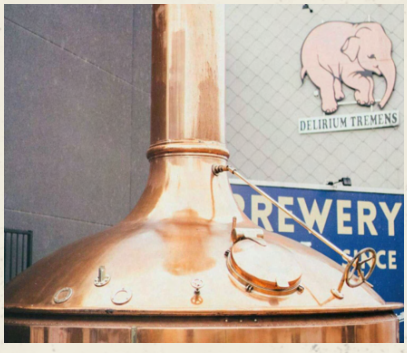
The taste is characterised by its roundness. The aftertaste is strong, long-lasting, dry and bitter.

ABV: 8.4%

STYLE: Belgian Golden Strong Ale

PACKAGE: 30L Keg (A)
£175.45 trade

24 x 33cl Returnable Bottles
£53.86 trade





LISTED RANGE

Delirio	0.3%	Low Alcohol Blonde	24 x 33cl	Bottles	£42.79 Trade
Delirium Nocturnum	8.5%	Belgian Dark Strong Ale	24 x 33cl	RB Btls	£62.48 Trade
Delirium Red	8.0%	Cherry Beer	20 Litre	Kegs	£175.45 Trade
Delirium Red	8.0%	Cherry Beer	24 x 33cl	RB Btls	£53.18 Trade

LIMITED RELEASES

Delirio	0.3%	Low Alcohol Blonde	20 Litre	Kegs	£88.00 Trade
Delirium Barrel Aged Black	11.5%	Bourbon BA Belgian Dark Strong Ale	20 Litre	Kegs	£203.00 Trade
Delirium Barrel Aged Black	11.5%	Bourbon BA Belgian Dark Strong Ale	6 x 75cl	Bottles	£128.70 Trade
Delirium Barrel Aged Blonde	11.5%	Bourbon BA Belgian Golden Strong Ale	20 Litre	Kegs	£203.00 Trade
Delirium Barrel Aged Blonde	11.5%	Bourbon BA Belgian Golden Strong Ale	6 x 75cl	Bottles	£129.60 Trade
Delirium Nocturnum	8.5%	Belgian Dark Strong Ale	20 Litre	Kegs	£146.20 Trade

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DUCHESSE DE BOURGOGNE

Verhaeghe Vichte was founded as a brewery and maltings by Paul Verhaeghe. At the time most breweries only sold their beer in their local area, once the railway line to Brussels was opened, they rapidly worked to expand their sales to the capital.

During the 2nd World War Paul Verhaeghe resisted the German occupation by stopping production, which the occupiers responded to by dismantling the brewery, after the war they had to start again from nothing. This restart allowed a new, deeper focus on quality, and lead to the development and commercial success of the Duchesse brand.

FOUNDED BY:
Paul Verhaeghe

FOUNDED:
1885

ORIGIN:
Vichte, Belgium

ESSENTIAL BEER



DUCHESSE DE BOURGOGNE

A blend of 8 and 18 month old ale, carefully matured in oak casks. Refreshingly sour and fruity with hints of apples, raisins, and a long dry acidic finish. Brewed in honour of Mary of Burgundy, famous for marrying an Austrian Archduke and bringing peace to the region.

A thoroughly complex beer, that reveals a different tasting note with each sip throughout a glass.

ABV: 6.2%

STYLE: Flanders Red Ale

PACKAGE: 15.5L Keg (A)
£94.88 trade

24 x 33cl Returnable Bottles
£50.20 trade

LIMITED RELEASES

Duchesse Cherry	6.8%	Cherry Flanders Red	15.5 Litre	Kegs	£110.26 Trade
Duchesse Cherry	6.8%	Cherry Flanders Red	24 x 33cl	Bottles	£54.99 Trade
Duchesse Chocolate Cherry	6.8%	Chocolate & Cherry Flanders Red	15.5 Litre	Kegs	£109.36 Trade
Duchesse Chocolate Cherry	6.8%	Chocolate & Cherry Flanders Red	24 x 33cl	Bottles	£57.69 Trade
Duchesse Red	7.0%	Cherry Flanders Red	15.5 Litre	Kegs	£98.90 Trade
Duchesse Red	7.0%	Cherry Flanders Red	24 x 33cl	Bottles	£56.40 Trade





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DUPONT

Dupont have deep roots, starting with a Belgian farm dating back to 1759. The farm eventually added a brewery, producing seasonal honey and Saison beers for summer sipping. Then along came Louis.

Louis' father Albert wanted to head off a potential move to Canada. So he bought his agronomist son the same farm-brewery, and Brasserie Dupont was born, along with their take on the popular farm beer - the Saison Dupont. Still family run, with a line stretching through various Nephews and Daughters, they still produce Saison Dupont, now considered the archetypal Farmhouse Ale, true to its rural roots.

FOUNDED BY:
Louis Dupont

FOUNDED:
1920

ORIGIN:
Tourpes, Belgium

ESSENTIAL BEER



SAISON DUPONT

Saisons originate from the days when brewers couldn't produce in summer as they were unable to control fermentation temperatures, as a result a beer was brewed in the spring which was packed with hops and fully attenuated. Strong and crisp, herbal, with an abundantly peppery nose augmented with notes of grapefruit. There is a clear bitterness, while remaining dry on the finish.

ABV: 6.5%
STYLE: Saison
PACKAGE: 20L Keg (A)
£112.03trade

24 x 33cl Returnable Bottles
£45.52 trade





LISTED RANGE

Monk's Stout	5.2%	Belgian Stout	24 x 33cl	Bottles	£45.53 Trade

LIMITED RELEASES

Avec Les Bons Vœux	9.5%	Strong Saison	20 Litre	Kegs	£195.35 Trade
Avec Les Bons Vœux	9.5%	Strong Saison	12 x 37.5cl	Bottles	£57.00 Trade
Bal Musette	7.2%	Rye Saison	20 Litre	Kegs	£129.80 Trade
Bal Musette	7.2%	Rye Saison	12 x 44cl	Cans	£36.40 Trade
Moinette Bio	7.5%	Organic Saison	20 Litre	Kegs	£139.58 Trade
Monk's Stout	5.2%	Belgian Stout	20 Litre	Kegs	£104.72 Trade
Redor Pils	5.0%	Belgian Pils	20 Litre	Kegs	£92.20 Trade
Saison Dry Hopping	6.5%	Dry Hopped Saison	20 Litre	Kegs	£120.30 Trade
Saison Dry Hopping	6.5%	Dry Hopped Saison	24 x 33cl	Cans	£50.50 Trade

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KASTEEL

When you're selling beer to more than 60 countries worldwide you've got to consider the needs of several billion palates at once, and serve up a broad range.

Kasteel master this without negotiating on quality at any step. Their powerful Donker set the tone in 1989, eventually providing the base for the now famous Rouge. They've further diversified covering many of the key Belgian styles and expanded the fruit range to include Rubus and Tropical. More recently they've invested in the technology to make exceptional Alcohol Free versions of their Fruity classics, pleasing billions more worldwide.

FOUNDED BY:
Luc Van Honsebrouck

FOUNDED:
1986

ORIGIN:
Ingelmunster, Belgium

ESSENTIAL BEER



KASTEEL ROUGE

A unique approach to Belgian Fruit Beer, Van Honsebrouck macerate their classic Kasteel Donker with sour cherries, the first of it's kind to be based on a dark beer.

The deliciously velvety mouthfeel of the Donker pairs perfectly with the acidity of the cherries to achieve an incredible balance.

ABV: 8.0%

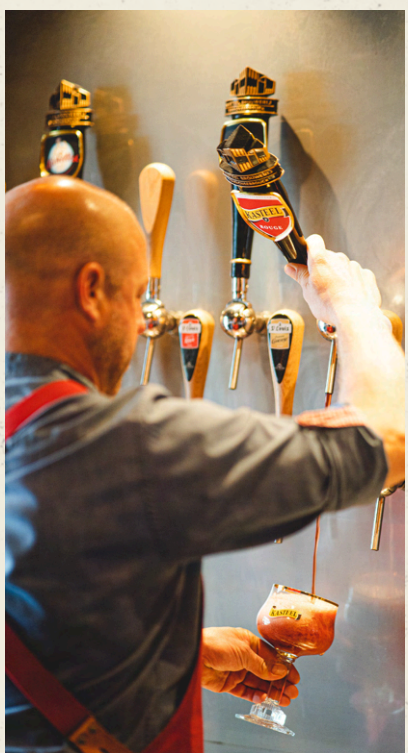
STYLE: Cherry Dark Ale

PACKAGE: 20L Keg (A)
£134.00 trade

24 x 33cl Returnable Bottles
£54.48 trade

12 x 50cl Cans
£40.44 trade





LISTED RANGE

Donker 11	11.0%	Belgian Strong Dark Ale	24 x 33cl	RB Btls	£73.28 Trade
Rouge Alcohol Free	0.0%	Alcohol Free Cherry Beer	24 x 33cl	RB Btls	£36.80 Trade
Rubus	7.0%	Raspberry Dark Ale	20 Litre	Kegs	£134.00 Trade
Rubus	7.0%	Raspberry Dark Ale	24 x 33cl	RB Btls	£52.91 Trade
Tripel	11.0%	Tripel	24 x 33cl	RB Btls	£73.88 Trade

LIMITED RELEASES

Bacchus Oud Bruin	4.5%	Oud Bruin	20 Litre	Kegs	£99.50 Trade
Barista Chocolate Quad	11.0%	Chocolate and Coffee Quadrupel	20 Litre	Kegs	£184.01 Trade
Donker	11.0%	Belgian Strong Dark Ale	20 Litre	Kegs	£180.72 Trade
Rubus Alcohol Free	0.0%	Alcohol Free Raspberry Beer	24 x 33cl	RB Btls	£37.70 Trade
Trignac XII	12.0%	Cognac BA Tripel	6 x 75cl	Bottles	£106.20 Trade
Tripel	11.0%	Tripel	20 Litre	Kegs	£180.72 Trade
Tropical	7.0%	Tropical Fruit Beer	20 Litre	Kegs	£132.90 Trade
Tropical	7.0%	Tropical Fruit Beer	24 x 33cl	Bottles	£52.40 Trade
Tropical	7.0%	Tropical Fruit Beer	24 x 50cl	Cans	£60.20 Trade
Tropical Alcohol Free	0.0%	Alcohol Free Tropical Fruit Beer	24 x 33cl	Bottles	£36.50 Trade

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St. Bernardus
WATOU



ST BERNARDUS

The monks of Mont des Cats in France had to protect their humble revenues from the Taxman, settling in Watou, Belgium, establishing the Réfuge de Notre Dame de St Bernard, a monastery and working cheese dairy.Eventually Evariste Deconinck took on the dairy, and in 1946 was invited to diversify his business, producing beers for St Sixtus abbey in Westvleteren, a profound moment that brought the famous St Sixtus yeast to the brewery, still in use today.

Fast forward half a century and current owner Hans Depypere bought the brewery operating on this site, successfully redeveloping it into a serious global brand, and one of the most recognisable in all of Belgian beer.

FOUNDED BY:
Evariste Deconinck

FOUNDED:
1946

ORIGIN:
Watou, Belgium

ESSENTIAL BEER



EXTRA 4

Previously brewed once a year, demand became great enough to bring it into the limelight as an essential core range beer.

The sweet fragrance of malt is complemented beautifully by a wide range of refreshing, zesty and floral touches including citrus and cloves with a hint of pepper. This taste bouquet is perfectly balanced by the refined aroma of hops, without suffering from an overload of bitterness. The finish is slightly dry and is, towards the end, accompanied by a fruity touch of citrus

ABV: 4.7%
STYLE: Belgian Blonde Ale
PACKAGE: 20L Keg (A)
£88.16 trade

LISTED RANGE

Abt 12	10.0%	Quadrupel	24 x 33cl	RB Btls	£71.13 Trade
Pater 6	6.7%	Dubbel	24 x 33cl	RB Btls	£40.44 Trade
Prior 8	8.0%	Dubbel	24 x 33cl	RB Btls	£52.33 Trade
Tripel	8.0%	Tripel	24 x 33cl	RB Btls	£51.23 Trade



LIMITED RELEASES

Prior 8	8.0%	Dubbel	20 Litre	Kegs	£120.00 Trade
Wit	5.5%	Witbier	20 Litre	Kegs	£94.19 Trade
ABT 12	10.0%	Quadrupel	20 Litre	Kegs	£165.00 Trade



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TIMMERMANS

THE WORLD'S OLDEST LAMBIC BREWERY

TIMMERMANS

A Belgian institution, taking the title of the world's oldest lambic brewery. Originally founded as De Mol (The Mole), in 1702, Timmermans have been perfecting their craft in the Flemish village of Itterbeek ever since.

In 1900 there were around 300 lambic breweries. A century later there were only ten left. Thanks to Timmermans and a handful of others, this incredible style is still alive and kicking into the 21st century.

Timmermans are renowned for blending their lambic with fruit and herbs or spices, harmonising with the lambic's natural acidity.

FOUNDED BY:
Jacobus Walravens

FOUNDED:
1702

ORIGIN:
Itterbeek, Belgium

ESSENTIAL BEER



STRAWBERRY AND THYME

Timmermans Strawberry evokes the fragrance of long sunny days. Its strawberry flavour will have you wrinkling your nose in delight with each sip. Its luminous colour and its fruity freshness are a treat for taste-buds and eyes alike. A totally mouth-watering experience.

The twist of Thyme brings an entirely new dimension to the classic Strawberry flavour, offering an additional layer of complexity that keeps the finish going.

ABV: 3.4%

STYLE: Strawberry and Thyme Lambic

PACKAGE: 30L Keg (A)
£134.30 trade

12 x 33cl Bottles
£27.42 trade

LISTED RANGE

Framboise Hibiscus	4.0%	Raspberry and Hibiscus Lambic	24 x 33cl	RB Btls	£50.83 Trade
Kriek Black Pepper	4.0%	Cherry and Black Pepper Lambic	30 Litre	Kegs	£150.95 Trade
Kriek Black Pepper	4.0%	Cherry and Black Pepper Lambic	24 x 33cl	RB Btls	£48.53 Trade
Peche Cardamome	4.0%	Peach and Cardamom Lambic	15 Litre	Kegs	£90.15 Trade
Peche Cardamome	4.0%	Peach and Cardamom Lambic	24 x 33cl	RB Btls	£51.03 Trade



LIMITED RELEASES

Brewer's Desire	7.5%	Bretted Sour	6 x 75cl	Bottles	£57.20 Trade
Elderflower Lambic	6.7%	Elderflower Lambic	6 x 75cl	Bottles	£89.90 Trade
Framboise Lambicus	6.0%	Raspberry Lambic	15 Litre	Kegs	£184.01 Trade
Griotteke Bourbon BA	6.7%	Bourbon BA Cherry Lambic	6 x 75cl	Bottles	£89.90 Trade
Lambic & Stout (Guinness Collab)	6.0%	Stout and Kriek Blend	15 Litre	Kegs	£113.19 Trade
Lambic & Stout (Guinness Collab)	6.0%	Stout and Kriek Blend	12 x 37.5cl	Bottles	£63.10 Trade
Oude Gueuze Dry Hopped	6.4%	Oude Gueuze w/ Idaho 7, Sultana, and Azacca	6 x 75cl	Bottles	£57.20 Trade
Oude Kriek	6.7%	Cherry Lambic	12 x 37.5cl	Bottles	£58.27 Trade



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WESTMALLE

A true Trappist trailblazer, an abbey with nearly two centuries of brewing history whose work has done so much to progress the cherished monastic brewing tradition.

Using mineral water from the abbey's well, combined with a unique yeast strain, and a direct flame brewhouse, Westmalle make some of the best loved Trappist beer.

The brothers of Our Lady of the Sacred Heart have pioneered many of the styles we consider as foundations of the Trappist tradition.

FOUNDED BY:
Brother Bonaventura Hermans

FOUNDED:
1836

ORIGIN:
Malle, Belgium

ESSENTIAL BEER



DUBBEL

Introduced in 1856, perhaps the monastery's most significant claim to fame, the world's first Dubbel. A now iconic Trappist style defined by dark candy sugar, which imparts a toffee-like flavour with a surprisingly light body.

Rich and complex, and known to the monks as 'liquid bread'. One sip and you can immediately understand where they're coming from.

ABV: 7.0%

STYLE: Trappist Dubbel

PACKAGE: 20L Keg (S)
£110.10 trade

24 x 33cl Returnable Bottles
£44.76 trade

LISTED RANGE

Extra	4.8%	Trappist Blonde	12 x 33cl	Bottles	£21.30 Trade
Tripel	9.5%	Trappist Tripel	24 x 33cl	RB Btls	£67.18 Trade

LIMITED RELEASES

Duo	7.2%	Trappist Blonde	20 Litre	Kegs	£115.41 Trade





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