



White Cliffs Festival of Winter Ales

Beer List – 2009





Welcome to the 16th White Cliffs Winter Ales Festival, featuring around 75 winter and strong ales, of between 5% and 10% ABV, from small independent and micro-breweries from across the country.

Our branch sponsors the Royal National Lifeboat Institution through donations of beer tokens or money. So, if you have any spare tokens why not donate them to this worthwhile charity?. A collection box can be found on the glasses stall.

Remember that the people who are running the festival are volunteers, so be nice to them!

Important: This is a beer festival, so everyone will be carrying glasses. Be careful as you move around the event and report breakages and spillages to a member of the Town Hall or beer festival staff. Children should be kept under control at all times and are not allowed at the bar.

Enjoy your beer, drink responsibly and please do not drink and drive.

 Kent Beers		Section sponsored by: Man of Kent, 6-8 John Street, Rochester. Tel: (01634) 843118 	
Beer/Brewery*	ABV	Tasting Notes	Notes
Gold Star Goacher's, Kent	5.1%	Made with Maris Otter malted barley and hopped with the East Kent aroma hops. Dangerously drinkable!	
Old 1066 Goacher's, Kent	6.7%	Named after the original gravity of the brew, this fruity rich barley wine has been produced since 1983	
Dominator Hopdaemon, Kent	5.1%	A Premium Bitter/ESB	
Leviathan Hopdaemon, Kent	6.0%	A strong ruby ale with spicy hop aromas and a rich malty finish	
Dogbolter Porter Ramsgate, Kent	5.6%	Strong, dark and handsome	
India Pale Ale Ramsgate, Kent	8.0%		
Audit Ale Westerham, Kent	6.7%	An English strong ale, brewed to the same recipe as the famous Audit Ale of the Black Eagle Brewery,	
Extra Special Westerham, Kent	5.0%		
Kentish Reserve Whitstable, Kent	5.0%	A premium bitter/ESB	

Sussex Beers			
Beer/Brewery*	ABV	Tasting Notes	Notes
Victorian Ruby Mild Dark Star, W. Sussex	6.0%	Sponsored by: The Berry, Walmer Classic mild ale barley malt hopped with Goldings gives a restrained bitterness. The beer is blended with an aged dark beer to add colour and flavour	
Winter Meltdown Dark Star, W. Sussex	5.0%	Chocolate and Crystal malts give a hint of malty flavour, bittered by Golding hops, complimented by the aromatic warmth of ginger	
Blues Rother Valley, E. Sussex	5.0%	Sponsored by: Key Stage Solutions Ltd A dark winter ale/porter with notable hop character and a hoppy dry finish.	
Chilly Willy White, E. Sussex	5.1%	Ruby/dark brown. Dark treacle and liquorice in taste. Spice notes in the aroma with spicy herb finish.	

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Beers from elsewhere

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Absolution Abbeydale, S. Yorks.	5.3%	A fruity pale ale, deceptively drinkable for its strength. Sweetish but not cloying	
Gorlovka Imperial Stout Acorn, S. Yorkshire	6.0%	Full-bodied stout with deep malt and hoppy aromas and liquorice throughout	
Vixen's Vice Alcazar, Nottingham	5.2%	Sponsored by: The Fox, Temple Ewell A pale, strong ale with a malt flavour balanced by a clean, crisp, hop taste	
Winter Reserve Ascot, Surrey	5.2%	Perfect winter warmer with lightly spiced aromas of cinnamon, coriander and ginger. The palate is full with pleasant spicing. Very smooth and drinkable	
Birthday Boy Ballards, Hampshire	9.5%	Barley wine	
Wild Hare Bath Ales, Bristol	5.0%	Pale organic strong bitter. Toasted grapefruit aroma, hoppy/fruity taste developing into a long-lasting dry, fruity finish. Refreshing and clean	
Old Dalby Belvoir, Leicestershire	5.1%	A rich smooth ruby red coloured strong ale mingled with a variety of roasted flavours. An unusual blend of hops give this ale a complex distinctive character	
Mercian Shine Beowulf, Staffordshire	5.0%	Amber to pale gold with a good bitter and hoppy start. Plenty of caramel and hops with background malt leading to a good bitter finish	
Old Habit Blackfriars, Norfolk	5.6%	Old-fashioned mix of roast, malt and plummy fruitiness. Smooth and aromatic with coffee notes and a heavy mouth-feel. With a malty finish	
Spingo Middle Blue Anchor, Cornwall	5.1%	Copper-red beer with fruity aroma, a hint of vanilla and a peppery note from the hops	
Spingo Xmas Special Blue Anchor, Cornwall	7.6%	A dark, mahogany-hued strong ale which should be treated with the utmost respect	
Nutz Bowman, Hampshire	5.0%	Not a session beer. Chestnuts aroma, intriguing Chestnut flavours and rather Chestnutty in colour. Brewed with organic Chestnuts. May contain nuts!	
Summa That Branscombe, Devon	5.0%	Light golden beer with a clean and refreshing taste and a long hoppy finish	
Stilton Porter Brewsters, Lincs.	5.0%	Nice smooth, rounded porter with chocolate and wheat malts	
Father Mike's Dark Ruby Brunswick, Derbyshire	5.8%	A smooth, near black mild. Well-balanced and filled with sweet roast flavours that conceal its strength	
Hearty Ale Burton Bridge, Staffs.	5.0%	Hoppy & fruity, with a well balanced aftertaste	
Old Expensive Burton Bridge, Staffs.	6.5%	Smooth & bitter with a barley wine taste	
Wild Cat Cairngorm, Highlands	5.1%	A full-bodied strong bitter. Malt predominates with a hop character and well-balanced aftertaste	
Rest In Peace Church End, Warks.	7.0%	A light, amber-coloured bitter with a good malty nose and well-balanced, sweet finish	
Devonshire Ten-der Country Life, Devon	10%	Sponsored by: Nick Bailey Chestnut brown in colour. Well rounded voluptuous barley wine style, with a fruit cake and fiery alcoholic character. Malty smoothness and hop tingle finish	

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Winter Solstice Derventio, Derbyshire	5.0%	A golden bitter with a well rounded fullness of malt and spices. Brewed with the finest malted barley and Challenger hops	
Silent Knight Dorset, Dorset	5.9%	Big, bold but beautifully undercut with all the hallmarks of wheat. Dark ruby with a dark chocolate/Madeira aroma	
Silent Slasher Dorset Piddle, Dorset	5.1%	Sponsored by: Sabreur & Tally Ho! A golden/blonde ale	
1872 Porter Elland, W. Yorkshire	6.5%	Creamy, full-flavoured porter. Rich liquorice flavours with a hint of chocolate from the roast malt. A soft, satisfying aftertaste of bittersweet roast and malt	
Blackwood Stout Grain, Norfolk	5.0%	A traditional black stout made with Maris Otter and roasted malts. Smooth and smokey with burnt toast dryness and a hint of coffee	
Ported Porter Grain, Norfolk	5.2%	An old-style porter. Smooth and creamy, spiked with port to give it the flavour of dark berries	
Rutland Beast Grainstore, Rutland	5.3%	A strong, dark brown beer. Well-balanced flavours blend together to produce a full-bodied drink	
Taverners Ale Hanby, Shropshire	5.3%	A smooth and fruity old ale, full of body	
Old Henry Hobsons, Worcs.	5.2%	Brewed using Maris Otter pale ale malt, roasted crystal malt, Hobsons yeast and finished with Worcestershire Challenger and Goldings hops	
Dutch Courage Holland, Notts.	5.0%		
Snow Flake Sarah Hughes, W.Mids.	8.0%	Sponsored by: The Coastguard, St Margaret's Copper-coloured barley wine. Strong, sweet flavour with a hoppy aftertaste	
Porter Humpty Dumpty, Norfolk	5.4%	Sponsored by: The Chambers, Folkestone Traditional porter giving a full roast aroma with hints of liquorice on the tongue and a dry, bitter finish	
Pale Rider Kelham Island, S.Yorks.	5.2%	A full-bodied, straw pale ale, with a good fruity aroma and a strong fruit and hop taste. With a well-balanced finish of sweetness and bitterness	
Grim Reaper Keltek, Cornwall	6.0%	A strong flavoured ale! A balance of four malts and roasted barley with a powerfully hopped finish	
Moonraker J.W. Lees, Manchester	7.5%	A reddish-brown beer with a strong malty, fruity aroma. The flavour is rich and sweet, with roast malt, and the finish is fruity yet dry	
40 Yard Matthews, Bath	5.0%	A darker and more full-bodied ale rich with robust flavours of ripe fruits, caramel and roast malt with a long, dry and well-rounded bitter finish	
Donner & Blitzed Milestone, Notts.	5.4%	A winter warmer, packed full of crystal, chocolate and roasted malts together with black treacle and rum essence	
Beer! Milk Street, Somerset	5.0%	Flirtatious blonde beer with musky hoppiness and citrus fruit on the nose, while more fruit surges forward on the palate before the bitter-sweet finish	
Mammon Milton, Cambs.	7.0%	Hugely flavoursome, rich and warming - this dark and mysterious brew is the ideal winter beer	
Distant Grounds Newby Wyke, Lincs.	5.2%	A traditional IPA, well hopped bitter	

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Attila Oakham, Cambs.	7.5%	Supreme Champion Winter Beer of Britain 2009 Fruit notes and elder flower on aroma. Taste of red berries and citrus fruit with a long bitter fruity finish	
Old Tyke Old Bear, W. Yorkshire	6.0%	A strong, dark bronze Yorkshire ale with large helpings of crystal malt to give it a full bodied flavour. Hops give it a smooth and warming finish	
Skullsplitter Orkney, Orkney	8.5%	Sponsored by: The Coastguard, St Margaret's Intense velvet malt nose with apple, prune and plum hints. A hoppy taste balanced by a smooth malt with fruity spicy edges, Long, dry finish with a hint of nut	
MacOtter Otter, Devon	5.0%	Dark ruby beer with a well balanced flavour and bittersweet chocolate edge. This comes from the careful use of Fuggles and Challenger hops	
India Pale Ale Pitfield, Essex	7.0%	An English strong Ale	
Firebox RCH, Somerset	6.0%	Aroma and taste of citrus hops and pale crystal malt are followed by a strong, complex, full-bodied, mid-brown beer with a balanced flavour of malt and hops	
Boneshaker Roosters, N. Yorkshire	5.0%	An American pale ale	
Well Blathered Rudgate, N. Yorkshire	5.0%	A premium bitter, golden-coloured with distinctive lemon on the nose	
Old Stoatwobbler Spectrum, Norfolk	6.0%	Complex black-coloured brew with dark chocolate, morello cherry, raisin and banana vying for dominance alongside hops and malt	
Rudolph Stonehenge, Wiltshire	5.0%	The dark amber colour and body, from crystal malt combined with the Goldings aroma hops, give the beer just the right warmth and flavour	
Handel Thornbridge, Derbys	6.6%	A Belgian-style ale	
Jaipur IPA Thornbridge, Derbys.	5.9%	Sponsored by: Narrowboat Rosie Complex, well-balanced IPA with a lovely blend of citrus and fruit flavours mixed with a slight sweetness and ending with a lingering, bitter finish	
Old Disreputable 3 Rivers, Cheshire	5.2%	Dark malty brew with distinctive coffee and chocolate hints and a lasting bitter finish	
Shuttle Ale Three B's, Lancashire	5.2%	A strong pale ale, light in colour with a balanced malt and hop flavour, a Goldings hops aroma, a long dry finish and delicate fruit notes	
Crackle Winter Ale Tipples, Norfolk	6.5%	A true winter warmer. Dark malty swirls and fruity hop notes get a burst of flavour from whole spices	
Jacks' Revenge Tipples, Norfolk	5.8%	An explosion of malt, chocolate, roast and plum pudding fruitiness. Full-bodied with a solid finish	
Old Navigation Tower, Staffordshire	7.0%	A barley wine	
Comfortably Numb Triple FFF, Hampshire	5.0%	A mid brown strong ale with subtle, fruity flavours and mellow aroma. Hopped with Styrian Goldings	
Strong & Dark Twickenham, Middx.	5.2%	Ruby red ale uses dark crystal malt, roasted and flaked barley and oat malt. First Gold & Bramling Cross hops balance out a sweetish finish.	
White Shield Worthington, Staffs	5.6%	Fruity aroma with malt touches. Fruity start with hops but the fruit lasts to a classic bitter finish	

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