



**WestBier Imports**

**Artisanal and Craft Beer**

**Alberta**

## **Brasserie St Feuillien - Belgium**

St. Feuillien is a family owned brewery founded in 1873 and located in the town of Le Roeulx – southwest of Brussels in Belgium. It is currently run by the fourth generation of the Friart family on the original site of the Abbey of Premonteres (now Abbaye St-Feuillien du Roeulx).

The brewery is the producer of several international award winning beers. The full product line includes a Blonde, Triple, Brune, Saison, Grand Cru, a Noel, and a line of fruit and wit beers under the Grisette label.



### **St Feuillien Triple**

The Triple is a medium to full bodied Belgian Triple. On the nose there is a definite fruity aroma that also carries honey, spice, and typical Belgian yeast aromatics. Flavors include a mélange of malts, apricot/peach/banana, spice, and Belgian yeast. Compared to other Belgian Triples it is crisp and dry, less yeasty, and very refreshing. Winner of Gold for Belgian Triple at Barcelona Beer Challenge 2016.

Ratebeer 97/99. ABV of 8.5%. Available in 330ml bottles, case of 24.

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### **St Feuillien Brune**

The Brune is a classic example of a Belgian Abbey Dubbel, malty and fruity, with a good dose of caramel and a touch of spice. It is somewhat sweet and rich, with medium to full body.

Ratebeer 92/97. ABV is 8.5%. Available in 330ml bottles, case of 24.

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### **St Feuillien Quad**

New to St Feuillien in 2020 the Quad complements the line of exceptional quality Belgians. Aromas of raisins, caramel, soft malts, and vinous wood. Flavors of caramel, sweet malts and dark fruit. Slight sweet overall with distinctive St Feuillien yeast.

Ratebeer 98/93. ABV is 11%. Available in 330ml bottles, case of 24.

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### **St Feullien Saison**

This beer is a great example of style in the hard to define Farmhouse/Saison category. It is crisp and fruity, yeasty and tangy, and quite refreshing. Well known worldwide, it won Gold at the Barcelona Beer Challenge in 2016 and Silver at the European Beer Star in 2015.

Ratebeer 91/88. ABV is 6.5%. Available in 330ml bottles, case of 24

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### **St Feullien Cuvée de Noël**

The Noël is one of the best winter beers in Belgium. It is produced annually as a vintage product and is generally available after September. The beer is creamy and warm with a big malt and toffee presence and lots of spice. Brewed for cellaring.

Ratebeer 95/97. ABV of 9%. Available in 750ml bottles - case of 12 and 30 litre key kegs.

## De Halve Maan - Belgium

De Halve Maan, known for the Straffe Hendrik line, is a 6th generation family brewery located in Bruges. Originating in 1856, the brewery focuses on traditional Belgian beer styles and annual variants such as the Tripel Wild, Quad Heritage, and Quad Xmas blend.



### **Straffe Hendrik Quad**

Straffe Hendrik Quadruple is a rich and intense dark Belgian ale, brewed with a subtle blend of specialty malts, which gives the ale an extremely dark color and a chewy, malty complex character. The quad combines a clean dryness with a warm full-bodied mouth feel and essences of fruit. Secondary fermentation in the bottle creates a living ale that can be aged and will have an evolution of taste profiles over time. Pours a beautiful garnet red/brown with lasting foamy head. Aromas and flavors of caramel malts, candi sugar and dark fruit. Sweet and warm, but nicely balanced.

Ratebeer 99. ABV of 11.0%. Available in 330ml bottles, case of 24 bottles, case of 12

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### **Straffe Hendrik Tripel**

The Tripel is a traditional top-fermentation beer that is brewed according to the original family recipe and refermented in the bottle. A rich beer, with a subtle mixture of six different kinds of malts and Noble hops. Aromas of pitted fruit including peach and apricot. Deep fruity flavors follow same with additional spicy Belgian yeast.

Ratebeer 91. ABV is 9.0%. Available in 330ml bottles, case of 24.

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### **Bruges Zot Blond**

A fun summer beer, the Zot Blond is a flavorful specialty beer. Aromas of fruity citrus, coriander and spice. Flavors follow same with a light hoppy bitterness. A nice, refreshing session ale which just seems to epitomize Bruges, and Belgium in general.

ABV is 6.0%. Available in 330ml bottles, case of 24

## **Abbaye des Rocs - Belgium**

Located in Montignies-sur-Rocs in Hainaut province near the French border this very small family run brewery (less than 2000 hl annually) started commercial operation in 1979 and is located on the original site of the Abbaye des Rocs. Some of the buildings date from the original abbey and water is still drawn from the original source on the abbey grounds.

Run by Nathalie Eloir, one of the few women brewsters in Belgium, the brewery focuses on artisanal products using original recipes that have been handed down through generations. A number of dark, complex, Abbey style beer are brewed in a traditional manner along with a number of lighter blondes and witbiers.



### **Abbaye des Rocs Grand Cru**

The Grand Cru is also a big malty, Abbey style beer. Not to be outdone by the Brune it is also very complex, with more dark fruit, cherries, and caramel in the mix plus hints of licorice and tobacco to make thing interesting. Smooth and medium to full bodied.

Ratebeer 100. ABV is 9.5%. Available in 750ml bottles, case of 12.

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### **Abbaye des Rocs Triple Imperiale**

The Triple Imperiale is a big Belgian Dark Strong Ale. It is malty, soft, full bodied, and sweet. There is definite dark fruit and malts to the nose, and the flavors carry these along with a good dose of caramel, a bit of orange/citrus and a hint of chocolate. A good paring as an appetizer or with a desert.

Ratebeer 99. ABV is 10%. Available in 750ml bottles, case of 12.

## **Bockor Brouwerij (Brouwerij VanderGhinste)**

Located in Bellegems in West Flanders near the French border, this one hundred year old brewery is one of the few remaining family run breweries still brewing Flanders sours using traditional spontaneous fermentation and barrel aged methods.



### **Cuvée des Jacobins Rouge**

Cuvée des Jacobins Rouge is a Flanders Sour Red Ale, garnet red in color with a balance of malty sweetness and acidic sharpness. The characteristics of the beer are a result of spontaneous fermentation and an 18 month aging in French oak cognac barrels. The beer has a strong aroma of oak and flavors of sour cherries, vanilla, and fruit abound. Bronze medal (Belgian and French Ales) 2015 Vancouver Magazine Craft Beer Awards. Gold Medal winner for Best Wood Aged Beer at the World Beer Awards.

Ratebeer 99. ABV is 5.5%. Available in 330ml bottles, case of 24.

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### **VanderGhinste Oud Bruin**

This Flanders Oud Bruin was the first beer brewed by Bockor in 1892 and is a regional product that can only be brewed in Southern West-Flanders. The aroma is dark fruit and wood, and the taste is characterized by a balance of fruitiness and a soft tartness. Ultimately tart and refreshing, the Oud Bruin won a gold medal in the category “Oud Bruin” at the World Beer Awards.

Ratebeer 84 ABV is 5.5%. Available in 250ml bottles, case of 24.

## **Brouwerij Kees - the Netherlands**

Kees Bubberman, the Emelisse brewer of fame, has his own brewery! Same philosophy as before – great base beer with barrel variants. And just like Emelisse, Kees is getting great reviews. He is so successful it's a challenge getting his beers. But worth it when available!



### **Caramel Fudge Stout**

Dark rich chocolatey fudge. And a ton of it... Lots of dusty dark chocolate, sweet rich coffee and cream, vanilla, and sweet roasted malts with a little spice. Slick, almost syrupy. An Imperial chocolate explosion and a decadent dessert beer.

Ratebeer 99. ABV is 11.5%. Available in 330ml cans, case of 24.

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### **American Barley Wine**



Lighter than Kees' previous behemoths, this barley wine is still big and full, and also worthy of cellaring. Malty and sweet when young, there are a multitude of flavors including rich caramel, oranges, ripe fruit, and vanilla.

Ratebeer 98. ABV is 11.5%. Available in 330ml cans, case of 24.

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### **Export Porter 1750**



Don't get fooled by the name – this is really a Russian Imperial Stout, and just as good if not better than some of Kees' previous stouts. Big and complex. Smooth and slightly warming. Bittersweet with roasted malts, caramel, dark chocolate, black coffee, licorice and molasses. Yummy. Top notch.

Ratebeer 100. ABV is 10.5%. Available in 330ml cans, case of 24.

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### **Project BA Cognac 2023**



The first Barrel Project in 2023 is an Imperial Stout that has aged in Cognac barrels for over two years. Lots of oaky cognac, chocolate, raisins, vanilla, caramel, and dark roasty malts with a bit of Kees characteristic use of Sorachi Ace hops. Big and tasty.

Ratebeer 93. ABV is 14.5%. Available in 330ml cans, case of 24.

## Tempest – Scotland

Gavin and Annika Meiklejohn met in a brewpub in Whistler before travelling the world together and finally settled down in New Zealand. It was there, while working as a chef, that Gavin began home brewing in their garage in Christchurch. Moving back to Scotland in 2010 the team started creating some of the world's best beer to match the quality of Gavin's culinary creations.

### **Mexicake**



One of Tempest's sought after core beers Mexicake is an Imperial Stout with Mexican character brewed with chocolate, vanilla beans, cinnamon, and both chipotle and mulato chiles. Aromas of dusty dark chocolate, vanilla, roasted peppers and slick roasted malts. Flavors of dark chocolate, vanilla, light cinnamon, and smooth roasted malts with a nice peppery heat in the finish.

Ratebeer 99. ABV is 11.0%. Available in 330ml can, case of 24.

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### **Mexicake Bourbon Barrel Aged**



Take a great beer and barrel age it to add big bourbon notes. Aromas of chocolate, vanilla, and soft bourbon. Flavors of oaky bourbon, dark caramel, spice, creamy dark chocolate and smooth roasted malts. This is a big sipping beer.

Ratebeer 99. ABV is 12.4%. Available in 330ml can, case of 24.

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### **All the Leaves Bourbon Barrel Aged**



An Imperial Brown Ale aged in Heaven Hills Bourbon barrels re-fermented with Canadian maple syrup. Aromas of dark caramel and bready malts. Flavors of soft oaky bourbon, maple syrup, raisins, and biscuity malts. Beautiful balance. Not too sweet. Rich and sticky.

Ratebeer 100. ABV is 11.2%. Available in 330ml can, case of 24.

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### **Bourbon Odyssey: Old Fitzgerald**



From the Bourbon Odyssey Barley Wine Series. Fitz is a Barley Wine re-fermented with wild Scottish heather honey and aged in Old Fitzgerald barrels. Aromas of toffee and dark fruit. Flavors of honey, toffee, dates, chocolate fudge and vanilla.

Ratebeer 93. ABV is 12.0%. Available in 750ml bottle, case of 12.



## Pohjala – Estonia

Põhjala was founded in Tallinn, Estonia at the end of 2011 by four Estonian beer enthusiasts and home brewers. Soon thereafter the company was joined by Scottish head brewer, Chris Pilkington, bringing experience from Brewdog. The first Põhjala beer, Öö Imperial Baltic Porter, was released in the beginning of 2013. Most notable are the Pohjala Cellar Series, generally special barrel aged variants of core and unique beers, plus collaborations.



### **Öö**

Meaning Night, Öö is a big Imperial Baltic Porter and a core beer. Aromas of sweet molasses, soy, and black coffee. Flavours follow same with additional dark chocolate and nuttiness.

Ratebeer 99. ABV is 10.5%. Available in 330ml bottle, case of 24.

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### **Öö XO**

From the Cellar Series, this is Öö aged in Cognac barrels. Aromas of oaky cognac, cinnamon, black coffee and dry roasted malts. Flavors of big cognac, wood, raisins, black coffee and roasted malts.

Ratebeer 100. ABV is 11.5%. Available in 330ml bottle, case of 24.

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### **Öö X**

Also from the Cellar Series, this is Öö aged in newly emptied Cognac barrels. Aromas of fruity cognac, chocolate nougat, raisins and caramel malts. Flavors follow same with emphasis on caramel and additional chocolate.

Ratebeer 98. ABV is 13%. Available in 330ml bottle, case of 24.

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### Plum Barley Wine



From the Cellar Series, and evident from the name, this is a huge, plum liqueur barrel aged Barleywine that was also brewed with Mirabelle plums. Pouring a deep mahogany color there are aromas of sweet dark fruit, caramel and soft toasted malts. Flavors follow with sweetened plums, raisins, figs, caramel, candi sugar, and bready malts. There is slight tang and nice warmth on the finish.

Ratebeer 94. ABV is 14%. Available in 330ml bottle, case of 24.

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### Pime Öö



Meaning Dark Night, Pime Öö is a huge stout brewed on the longest night of the year. Aromas of dark chocolate, dark fruit, roasted malts and warming alcohol. Flavors carry a caramel sweetness with continued dark chocolate and dark fruit; plus big roasty malts.

Ratebeer 96. ABV is 13.6%. Available in 330ml bottle, case of 24.

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### Virvatuli



Virvatuli is actually a Braggot, made with mead and a gruit based beer. Pouring a nice reddish brown there is a lot going on. Notes of caramel, chocolate nougat, sweet Vermouth, raisins, honey and sweet toasted malts. A bit like French toast and a bit like a beer liqueur.

Ratebeer 94. ABV is 13%. Available in 330ml bottle, case of 24.

## Amager - Denmark

Amager is a small Danish craft brewer noted for incredible and sometimes zany beers, ranging from hoppy West Coast IPAs to big thick stouts. Several great collaborations with other European and US breweries are regularly produced. Started by brewers Morten Valentin Lundsbak and Jacob Storm in 2007, a full brewery opened just outside Copenhagen on the island of Amager in 2011.



### **Rye King Bourbon Barrel Aged**

Originally a 2010 collaboration with Goose Island, but now brewed on a periodic basis, Rye King is defined by Amager as a Rye Stout. Over 20% of the malt comes from rye which adds a crisp sharpness to the base roast. Overall notes of chocolate and licorice with a bit of smoke.

Ratebeer 99. ABV is 7.7%. Available in 440ml can, case of 24.

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### **Macabre**

A collaboration with Salikatt Bryggeri of Norway, Macabre is a huge Imperial Stout. Aromas of dark chocolate, dark sugars and caramel. Flavors of rich roasted malts, a little brown sugar, lots of dark chocolate and a bit licorice. Big and complex.

Ratebeer TBD. ABV is 14.2%. Available in 330ml can, case of 24.

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### **Dario the Dark Don**

From the Monster series... Originally brewed as 10<sup>th</sup> year anniversary beer, Dario is an Imperial Stout with a tip of the hat to American styled stouts. Notes of dark chocolate, black coffee, vanilla and a little hoppy bitterness.

Ratebeer 100. ABV is 11.2%. Available in 440ml can, case of 24.