

4th WILLIAMSBURG CASK BEER FESTIVAL

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New York City's cask ale revival Also known as 'real ale', cask-conditioned ale (or, sometimes, lager) is unfiltered, unpasteurized craft beer served without any forced carbonation pushing it to the tap, served either by gravity-dispense straight from a tap hammered into the front of the cask, or by use of a beer engine (also known as a 'handpump' or 'handpull') - a simple manual pump clamped to the bar. It is beer as was standard prior to modern kegging and chilling techniques, benefitting from the natural soft carbonation, lack of extraneous CO₂, and a serving temperature where it can be tasted properly. Cask ale or lager is beer in its natural state, and should be served at around 54 degrees Fahrenheit for optimum mouthfeel. Carbonation is natural and soft, coming from the yeast as it continues to ferment the beer in the cask. Recently, there has been a dramatic increase in the popularity and availability of cask-conditioned beer – unsurprising as it is the cream of the rapidly expanding craft beer industry. Over 50 bars and restaurants in New York City now have permanent cask availability, up tenfold from one decade ago.

Alex Hall has been running regular cask beer festivals at various locations in the New York area since 2003 (and since 1996 in the U.K.), check online for regular updates and additional information at: www.gotham-imbiber.com

MAIN BAR – MAY BE REPLACED DURING THE WEEKEND

Barrier 'Bulkhead American Red Ale' 6.3% Style: American Amber / Red Ale From Oceanside, NY

Maris Otter & Vienna malts, crystal malts (Germany & UK), plus four varieties of Pacific Northwest hops make up the components of this delicious brew.

\$4.00 – 10oz / \$7.00 – 16oz / \$8.00 – 20oz

Cigar City 'Maduro Oatmeal Brown - Vanilla Aged' 5.5% Style: American Brown Ale From Tampa, FL

Delicious dark amber – brown ale from Florida's innovative and popular Cigar City, vanilla notes are balanced and there's a hint of chocolate.

\$4.00 – 10oz / \$7.00 – 16oz / \$8.00 – 20oz

Voodoo 'Black Magick' (Unoaked) 15.5% Style: Russian Imperial Stout From Meadville, PA

A rare version of a rare, very strong ale. This cask bypassed the usual oak aging process that the bottled Black Magick has. Imbibe with caution, sip with pleasure.

\$6.00 – 10oz / \$9.00 – 16oz / \$12.00 – 20oz

Reserve casks waiting in the cellar (may be tapped but only if needed):

Voodoo 'Gran Met'; Pearl Street 'Sabers Edge Imperial I.P.A.'; Fullers 'ESB'; Green Flash 'Le Freak'; Pratt Street Ale House 'Oliver's Ironman Pale Ale'

FESTIVAL BAR – AVAILABLE UNTIL THEY'RE EMPTY

Barrier 'Cairn Scottish Ale' 7.2% Style: Scottish 90/- 'Wee Heavy' From Oceanside, NY

Caramel malt and plenty of peat smoked malt impart a smoky, earthy, peaty flavor. Dark amber, hopped with Northern Brewer, Sterling, and Willamette.

\$4.00 – 10oz / \$7.00 – 16oz / \$8.00 – 20oz

- Blue Canoe 'Oak Aged Wheat Wine'** 11.5% Style: Wheat Wine, Barrel Aged From Titusville, PA
An exceptionally strong wheat beer (think barleywine with wheat malt) aged in oak barrels. Very rare, very powerful.
\$5.00 - 10oz / \$8.00 - 16oz / \$10.00 - 20oz
- Blue Point 'Old Howling Bastard'** 10.0% Style: Barleywine From Patchogue, NY
Strong malty caramel flavors are balanced by lots of hops. The trick is to never forget that after a few glasses you may become the "Old Howling Bastard"...
\$5.00 - 10oz / \$8.00 - 16oz / \$10.00 - 20oz
- Breconshire 'Golden Valley'** 4.2% Style: English Pale Ale From Brecon, Wales
A deep golden, single hop varietal session ale created using three types of Optic malt and only Progress hops for a pleasant, gentle bitterness.
\$4.00 - 10oz / \$7.00 - 16oz / \$8.00 - 20oz
- Dieu du Ciel 'Péché Mortel'** 9.5% Style: Russian Imperial Stout From Montreal, Canada
French for "Mortal Sin", this is an intensely black and dense beer infused with Fair Trade coffee during the brewing process. Very roasty and complex.
\$6.00 - 10oz / \$9.00 - 16oz / \$12.00 - 20oz
- Elland 'Beyond The Pale'** 4.2% Style: English Pale Ale From Elland, England
A golden English ale brewed with American Cascade hops for a floral aroma and a long hoppy finish. Very rare in the U.S.A.
\$4.00 - 10oz / \$7.00 - 16oz / \$8.00 - 20oz
- Great Divide 'Belgica'** 7.2% Style: Belgian Pale Ale From Denver, CO
Spices and moderate citrus notes feature in this luscious golden ale hopped with American and European varieties, and fermented with a Belgian yeast strain.
\$4.00 - 10oz / \$7.00 - 16oz / \$8.00 - 20oz
- Greenport Harbor 'Anti-Freeze'** 6.9% Style: Old Ale / Winter Warmer From Greenport, NY
Hearty, full-bodied, deep red English-style Old Ale with a rich malty flavor, brewed to be warming on these cold winter nights.
\$4.00 - 10oz / \$7.00 - 16oz / \$8.00 - 20oz
- Harvey's 'Lewes Castle Brown Ale'** 4.8% Style: English Brown Ale From Lewes, England
From the picturesque Harvey's Brewery nestling in southern England's South Downs comes this tasty session ale, silky with some grassy hoppiness on the finish.
\$4.00 - 10oz / \$7.00 - 16oz / \$8.00 - 20oz
- Sixpoint 'Chocolate Rye Porter'** 5.5% Style: Robust Porter From Brooklyn, NY
A light bodied, easy drinking dark ale with a mild roastiness and a toasty caramel finish. Brewed locally with chocolate rye malt imported from Bamberg, Germany.
\$4.00 - 10oz / \$7.00 - 16oz / \$8.00 - 20oz
- Smuttynose 'Star Island Single'** 5.4% Style: Belgian Pale Ale From Portsmouth, NH
Pleasant Belgian-style session ale, slightly estery and earthy with hints of lemon and a touch of yeastiness. Easy and enjoyable to drink.
\$4.00 - 10oz / \$7.00 - 16oz / \$8.00 - 20oz
- Stillwater / Mikkeller 'Our Side'** 7.5% Style: Saison / I.P.A. Hybrid From Westminster, MD
This is a collaboration between two 'gypsy' brewers from either side of the Atlantic. Piney, resinous hops meet an estery Belgian yeast strain.
\$5.00 - 10oz / \$8.00 - 16oz / \$10.00 - 20oz
- Thornbridge 'Merrie'** 5.9% Style: English Strong Ale From Bakewell, England
Thornbridge's holiday brew, rich and quite complex with just the right levels of festive spice. A limited run, so very rare here.
\$4.00 - 10oz / \$7.00 - 16oz / \$8.00 - 20oz