

# 7<sup>th</sup> 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 CO<sub>2</sub>, 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 60 bars and restaurants in New York City now have permanent cask availability, up more than 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](http://www.gotham-imbiber.com) and [www.cask-ale.co.uk](http://www.cask-ale.co.uk)

## FESTIVAL BAR – ON GRAVITY DISPENSE

### Abita 'Z.S.B. – Zach's Special Bitter'

6.0% Style: Extra Special Bitter (E.S.B.) From Covington, LA

*An American version of a classic Extra Special Bitter. Brewed with Maris Otter pale and Thomas Fawcett brown malt, hopped with Fuggles and American Cascade, and fermented with a traditional English ale yeast.*

**\$5.00 – 10oz / \$7.00 – 16oz / \$9.00 – 20oz**

### Boulder 'Flashback Anniversary Ale'

6.8% Style: "India Brown Ale"

From Boulder, CO

*Hoppy like an IPA but dark and also roasty, this is the brewery's 30th Anniversary commemorative beer. Citrusy with a prominent hop aroma, it finishes clean, crisp and dry. Hopped with Cascade.*

**\$5.00 – 10oz / \$7.00 – 16oz / \$9.00 – 20oz**

### Bridge & Tunnel 'Tiger Eyes'

5.5% Style: Hazelnut Brown Ale

From Queens, NY

*The latest brew from this tiny Queens nanobrewery is an interesting brown ale with hazelnut prominent on the palate.*

**\$5.00 – 10oz / \$7.00 – 16oz / \$9.00 – 20oz**

### Captain Lawrence 'I.P.A.'

6.5% Style: American I.P.A.

From Elmsford, NY

*The new I.P.A. eagerly awaited from Captain Lawrence, with a robust aroma and clean citrus notes on the palate. Juniper berries have been added to the cask.*

**\$5.00 – 10oz / \$7.00 – 16oz / \$9.00 – 20oz**

### Cricket Hill 'Colonel Blide's Bitter'

5.5% Style: American Amber Ale

From Fairfield, NJ

*A tasty, moderately hoppy, easy to drink beer with an orange marmalade hue. There's a herbal hop aroma with a hint of lemon and pine. On the palate there's moderate citrus and pine with slight earthy and biscuit notes. 31 IBUs.*

**\$5.00 – 10oz / \$7.00 – 16oz / \$9.00 – 20oz**

### Long Ireland 'Pale Ale'

6.2% Style: American Pale Ale

From Riverhead, NY

*An American Pale Ale with four additions of Cascade and Amarillo hops. A classic beer that goes down easy all year long. 40 IBUs.*

**\$5.00 – 10oz / \$7.00 – 16oz / \$9.00 – 20oz**

### Mendocino 'Olde Saratoga Black I.P.A. with Blood Orange' 6.0% Style: Cascadian Dark Ale

From Saratoga Springs, NY

*A new dark ale brewed with oranges – and this is a special version with added blood orange. Citrusy and tangy on the palate.*

**\$5.00 – 10oz / \$7.00 – 16oz / \$9.00 – 20oz**

**Rockaway 'High Plains Drifter'****6.8% Style: Scottish 90/- 'Wee Heavy' From Queens, NY***This very new local brew (Long Island City) has a big malt backbone, and moderate hop notes (WGV & Bramling Cross varieties). Smooth and enjoyable.***\$5.00 – 10oz / \$7.00 – 16oz / \$9.00 – 20oz****Shmaltz 'He'Brew R.I.P.A. on Rye'****10.0% Style: Rye Beer, Whisky Barrel Aged From Saratoga Springs, NY***A rye based double IPA brewed with an obscene amount of malts and hops, and then aged in whisky barrels. Hopped with Warrior, Cascade, Simcoe, Crystal, Chinook, Amarillo, and Centennial. Kosher.***\$7.00 – 10oz / \$11.00 – 16oz****Thornbridge 'Beadeca's Well'****5.3% Style: English Smoked Porter From Bakewell, England***Very dark brown with moderate smokiness, plus notes of dark fruit, peat, toffee, leading to some chocolate on the finish. A rare ale from Derbyshire, England.***\$6.00 – 10oz / \$9.00 – 16oz / \$11.00 – 20oz****Victory 'Hop Devil'****6.7% Style: American I.P.A. From Downingtown, PA***Bold, spicy and delicious, this American-hopped India Pale Ale offers an aromatic punch and then follows through with a lasting, full-bodied finish.***\$5.00 – 10oz / \$7.00 – 16oz / \$9.00 – 20oz****Wandering Star 'Mild at Heart with Chinese Stem Ginger' 4.4% Style: English Dark Mild Ale From Pittsfield, MA***'Dark Mild' English style session beer with the ABV and color of an Irish Stout but a nuttier, softer mouthfeel from crystal and chocolate malts – this unique special version has been infused with Chinese Stem Ginger which imparts a pleasant spicy tang over the malt backbone.***\$5.00 – 10oz / \$7.00 – 16oz / \$9.00 – 20oz****Wandering Star 'Bert's Disqualified Oak Aged with Port' 9.9% Style: Russian Imperial Stout, Oak Aged From Pittsfield, MA***A unique special version of Bert's Disqualified Imperial Stout aged with French oak, plus American oak that has been infused with port wine. Just... Wow!!!***\$7.00 – 10oz / \$11.00 – 16oz**

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**AT THE MAIN BAR****508 'Hall Pass'****5.0% Style: English Pale Ale From New York, NY***Brewed by Chris Cuzme and Alex Hall at Manhattan's 508 Gastrobrewery, this is a tribute to Dark Star Brewery's 'Sunburst' – a popular tippie in the south of England. Plenty of Challenger hop goodness comes out in this clean, refreshing, golden ale. 63 IBUs.***\$5.00 – 10oz / \$7.00 – 16oz / \$9.00 – 20oz****Adnams 'Ghost Ship'****4.5% Style: English Pale Ale From Southwold, England***A lemon and lime aroma leads to a balanced malt and hop profile; Citra, Columbus and Chinook hops provide lime notes on the tongue.***\$5.00 – 10oz / \$7.00 – 16oz / \$9.00 – 20oz****Brooklyn 'Dry Irish Stout'****4.7% Style: Dry Stout From Brooklyn, NY***This is a tasty seasonal stout, black and roasty. Hops used are Willamette, Fuggles, Cascade, and East Kent Goldings.***\$5.00 – 10oz / \$7.00 – 16oz / \$9.00 – 20oz****Thornbridge 'Bracia'****10.0% Style: Historic Ale From Bakewell, England***Bracia is the Celtic name for a little-known cereal-based beverage brewed in Iron Age Europe. Aromas are of chestnut, honey, cappuccino, white chocolate, dark fruits, vibrant fresh peel. The mouthfeel is velvety and rich, with notes of honey, coffee, chocolate, liquorice and hazelnuts with warming alcohol, cocoa and a little peat in the finish. Malts: Maris Otter, Brown, Munich, Dark Crystal, Black, Chocolate, Peated and Roasted Barley. Hops: Target, Pioneer, Hallertau Northern Brewer and Sorachi Ace. Infused with Alpine chestnut honey. A very rare treat in cask form.***\$8.00 – 10oz**

## RESERVES – TO BE TAPPED ONLY IF NEEDED

### Adnams 'Explorer'

4.3% Style: Blonde Ale

From Southwold, England

*A golden bitter with the aromas of a grapefruit grove. Unusually for an English ale, it is hopped with American Columbus. Clean and citrusy.*

**\$5.00 – 10oz / \$7.00 – 16oz / \$9.00 – 20oz**

### Bear Republic 'Racer 5'

7.0% Style: American I.P.A.

From Cloverdale, CA

*A full-bodied, assertive India Pale Ale heavily hopped with Chinook, Cascade, Columbus and Centennial.*

**\$5.00 – 10oz / \$7.00 – 16oz / \$9.00 – 20oz**

### Boulder 'Mojo Risin'

10.0% Style: Double / Imperial I.P.A.

From Boulder, CO

*The big brother of Mojo IPA, there's a grapefruit-like aroma and flavor elevated to a significant intensity. Bold and brash.*

**\$7.00 – 10oz / \$11.00 – 16oz**

### River Horse 'Oatmeal Milk Stout'

6.7% Style: Sweet / Milk Stout

From Lambertville, NJ

*Silky dark ale with pronounced coffee notes on the palate, mellowing out with sweet malt and a touch of chocolate.*

**\$5.00 – 10oz / \$7.00 – 16oz / \$9.00 – 20oz**