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COLCHESTER, Colchester, Essex	Oatmeal Mild (3.5% ABV) Mild	An easy drinking dark mild smooth mouthfeel from the oatmeal and full of flavour	
COLCHESTER, Colchester, Essex	Voodoo Queen (3.8% ABV) Golden	Smooth golden session bitter flavoured with Pilgrim and Rakau hops.	
COURTYARD, Gosfield, Essex	Dark (5.0% ABV) Porter	A true 5% porter with hints of coffee, chocolate and molasses. A rich silky brew for the discerning palate.	
COURTYARD, Gosfield, Essex	Groovy Gang (4.2% ABV) Golden	A 4.2% Golden American style ale exploding with a strong citrus aroma. With hints of passion fruit, melon and other tropical fruit flavours, that leaves a pleasant lingering after taste. Perfect for the Festival season. BRAF Festival Ale 2023.	
MIGHTY OAK, Maldon, Essex	Maldon Gold (3.8% ABV) Bitter	Brewed with only Maris Otter pale malt for a light golden ale with biscuity malt flavours. Distinctive citrus character and a long, dry bitter finish.	
MIGHTY OAK, Maldon, Essex	Oscar Wilde Mild (3.7% ABV) Mild	Flavoursome dark red mild, hints of blackberry and coconut on the nose, and malty taste. Current CAMRA Champion Ale	
PUMPHOUSE BREWERY, Toppesfield, Essex	Coronation Ale (4.5% ABV) Copper	A dark Copper ale packed full of flavour. A magnificent beer for a magnificent occasion.	
PUMPHOUSE BREWERY, Toppesfield, Essex	Pale Oktober (3.8% ABV) Golden	A golden pale ale with a light and crisp base that highlights the distinct citrus and tropical fruit notes.	
SHALFORD, Shalford, Essex	Coronation Ale (4.0% ABV) Bitter	A light brown bitter, with a smooth sweetness and a touch of malt to follow.	
SHALFORD, Shalford, Essex	Rotten End (6.5% ABV) Strong	Traditional coloured and strong, accompanied by a slightly sweet and nutty undertone with a bitter edge to finish.	
WHARF (WITHAM, HARWICH AND RED FOX), Essex	Parkeston Porter (4.5% ABV) Porter	More heavily hopped robust porter in the new-world style. Influenced by US brewers, this porter combines the noble hops of Middle Europe with the best of US hops to create a smooth beer.	
WHARF (WITHAM, HARWICH AND RED FOX), Essex	Wily Ol' Fox (5.2% ABV) Strong	A very aromatic, amber beer made from English Boadicea hops and East Anglian Pale Maris Otter malt.	
WHITE HART - HALSTEAD, Halstead, Essex	Halstead Bitter (3.7% ABV) Bitter	A traditional session beer made from the finest & most traditional of English ingredients. The beer is smooth refreshing with a hint of malt to give a full and round taste.	
WHITE HART - HALSTEAD, Halstead, Essex	Weaver's Tipple (4.1% ABV) Bitter	A session bitter made from the most traditional Maris Otter barley and Boadicea hops.	
WIBBLERS, Mayland, Essex	Crafty Stoot (5.3% ABV) Stout	A truly special brew. Made to a recipe developed by the Durden Park Beer Circle to recreate the Stout brewed by Ushers Brewery back in 1885. Initially made with the assistance of members of the Craft Brewing Association and the UK-Homebrew Digest at the 2	
WIBBLERS, Mayland, Essex	Dengie IPA (3.6% ABV) IPA	Mid-brown, lightly hopped & full-bodied. Our favourite traditional ale and a great session beer.	
BANK TOP, Bolton, Lancs.	Palomino Rising (5.0% ABV) Pale Ale	A pale and refreshing bitter with a tropical fruit aroma and a dry bitter citrus finish.	

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BANK TOP, Bolton, Lancs.	Port O'Call (5.0% ABV) Dark Ale	A dark and mysterious easy drinking ale with masses of character. Vintage Ruby Port is added to the cask to provide an unusual depth of flavour.	
CRAVEN BREW CO, Crosshills, Skipton, North Yorkshire	BYB Best Yorkshire Bitter (3.8% ABV) Bitter	A well-balanced Yorkshire session bitter. Brewed using a blend of the finest traditional ale malts to deliver a richer and satisfying taste	
CRAVEN BREW CO, Crosshills, Skipton, North Yorkshire	The Raven (3.8% ABV) Dark Ale	A superb new dark ale, rich in flavour and creamy in appearance	
ELLAND BREWERY, Elland, West Yorkshire	1872 Porter (6.5% ABV) Porter	Rich, complex and dark Porter from an original 1872 recipe, with an old port nose, and coffee and bitter chocolate flavours on the palate. GBBF 2013 Overall - Gold	
ELLAND BREWERY, Elland, West Yorkshire	Elland Blonde (4.0% ABV) Golden	Soft bitterness and light citrus notes from a combination of English Progress and American Cascade hops.	
FUZZY DUCK BREWERY, Poulton-le-Fylde, Lancashire	Cunning Stunt (4.3% ABV) Bitter	An amber coloured bitter brewed with Willamette and Bramling Cross hops. The body from the malt is balanced with hops to produce blackcurrant, spice and herbal notes.	
FUZZY DUCK BREWERY, Poulton-le-Fylde, Lancashire	Golden Cascade (3.8% ABV) Golden	Golden coloured ale brewed with Cascade hops for a citrus flavour and a floral aroma.	
KIRKBY LONSDALE BREWERY, Kirkby Lonsdale, Cumbria	Monumental Golden Ale (4.5% ABV) Golden	A wonderfully golden ale brewed with extra pale malt, blended with English and Slovenian Golding Hops for a distinct floral aroma and mouth feel.	
KIRKBY LONSDALE BREWERY, Kirkby Lonsdale, Cumbria	Singletrack (4.0% ABV) Golden	Blonde in colour with super Intense citrus and floral aromas with a hugely hoppy and slightly bitter finish, from the use of new world hops. Brewed in conjunction with SingleTrack mountain bike magazine.	
OSSETT BREWING COMPANY, Ossett, West Yorkshire	Voodoo - Chocolate Orange Stout (5.0% ABV) Stout	A deliciously rich and full-bodied stout, brewed from pale, roasted and chocolate malts. Smooth and with moderate bitterness, chocolate flavours dominate the palate paired with aromas of orange and vanilla.	
PHOENIX, Heywood, Lancs.	Wobbly Bob (6.0% ABV) Amber	An amber beer with a malty, fruity aroma. A strong malty and fruity flavour and slight sweetness yields to a dry finish.	
PICTISH, Rochdale, Lancashire	Brewers Gold (3.8% ABV) Golden	Malty undertones and a powerful spicy hop aroma combine to produce a dangerously moreish beer.	
ROOSTERS BREWING CO, Harrogate, North Yorkshire	London Thunder Porter (4.2% ABV) Porter	Roasted malt and chocolate flavours are abound in London Thunder; a smooth, dark porter brewed using a blend of seven malts and English hops.	
SETTLE BREWERY, Settle, North Yorkshire	Ernie's Milk Stout (4.5% ABV) Stout	We have combined milk chocolate, roasted coffee and dark malts to create this unique, rich, full bodied creamy Milk Stout.	
SOUTHPORT BREWERY, Southport, Merseyside	Dark Night Mild (3.9% ABV) Mild	Dark Mild. Dry, with roasted coffee and chocolate flavours. Named after the shipwreck of the Mexico in 1886 in which 27 of the 29 lifeboat crew died. The worst loss of RNLI crew in a single incident.	
STRANGE TIMES BREWERY, Salford, Greater Manchester	Mad King Sweeny (V) (4.6% ABV) Red	This Irish red ale brewed with rye and oats, is smooth and balanced enough to calm the mad king himself. (Vegan)	

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STRANGE TIMES BREWERY, Salford, Greater Manchester	Neo Kosmo Blond (V) (4.1% ABV) Golden	Bursting with the citrusy freshness of New World hops. (Vegan)	
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CELTIC MARCHES, Bishop's Frome, Worcester	Pear (4.0% ABV) Perry		
COCK EYED, Tiverton, Devon	Pear Mania (6.9% ABV) Perry	A traditional cider from dessert apples, blended with pear.	
PULP, Wyer Croft, Herefordshire	Pornstar Martini (4.0% ABV) Fruit Cider	This passionfruit punch is packed with all the favourites of the legendary cocktail. The hit of lime smashes through the sweetness of the purple fruit, leaving the light linger of vanilla. Chin, chin, darlings!	
PULP, Wyer Croft, Herefordshire	Sloe Gin (4.0% ABV) Fruit Cider	This awesome autumn fruit is a favourite at Pulp HQ. Its plummy profile gives gin a bold flavour and boastfully boosts our crafty cider. Take a cool sip in the sun or warm this little treat up in winter for a mega mulled cider!	
SNAILBANK, Herefordshire	Banoffee Pie (4.0% ABV) Fruit Cider	Apple cider rippled through with luscious toffee, sweet banana and vanilla.	
SNAILBANK, Herefordshire	Gooseberry Fool (4.0% ABV) Fruit Cider	Tart stewed Gooseberries blended with sweet vanilla. Balanced to perfection.	
SNAILBANK, Herefordshire	Pinapple & Pink Grapefruit (4.0% ABV) Fruit Cider	The sweet tasty Pineapple is balanced out by the tangy Grapefruit. English cider with a tropical twist!!	
WESTON, Much Marcle, Worcester	British Vintage (7.3% ABV) Cider	Crisp, rich & rounded	
WESTON, Much Marcle, Worcester	Family Vintage (5.0% ABV) Cider	Medium dry cider, mellow and rounded with the flavour of slowly matured bittersweet cider apples	
WESTON, Much Marcle, Worcester	Old Rosie (7.3% ABV) Cider	A triple gold winning cider named after a 1921 steam roller. This cider is allowed to settle out naturally after fermentation which gives it the traditional cloudy appearance of true old-fashioned scrumpy.	

