

## Beer Club Mix Pack

Tampa Bay Brewing Company Reef Donkey- Tampa Bay Brewing Company has shown up in Massachusetts in the past, but always due to their participation in the occasional local beer festival. Now with a new distributor, we should be seeing them a little more often. This is a Pale Ale from their core lineup named after the slang term for a local game fish. Reef Donkey is hopped with a nouveau hop blend of Citra, Motueka and Ekuanot, but it is fermented on the crisp, clean side. No haze, but crisp notes of lemon-lime zest, a touch of fresh cut grass and a complimentary note of biscuit malt.

Night Shift Spooky Spice- A long overdue collaboration between Everett neighbors Night Shift Brewing and Teddie peanut butter. This is a stout coming in at 7.2% ABV featuring cinnamon, vanilla, caramel and peanut butter. Expect notes of dark cocoa, peanut brittle, vanilla and a drying finish of cinnamon.

Gneiss Brewing Limerick Lager- Gneiss is a brewery located near the border of New Hampshire and Maine focusing primarily on German styles. They are located in Limerick, so in keeping with the German theme, Limerick Lager is their take on the ubiquitous helles lager. Helles lager is the typical house beer of breweries in Southern Germany, with regional names such as Spezial, landbier, or Munich Lager. Limerick follows tradition with a full body, combined with a touch of honey-like sweetness that comes to a drying, crisp finish.

Dorchester Brewing Light Year Journey- Light Year Journey is a hazy New England IPA coming out of Dorchester Brewing Company. This features El Dorado and Idaho 7 hops, offering up notes of candied stone fruit and citrus zest. The body is medium-light for the style and finishes on the crisper side with a little less residual sweetness than typically found in a New England IPA.

Honest Weight Branch Bridge- Honest Weight has been making exceptional, full-flavored beers at session level for awhile now and Branch Bridge is no exception. Utilizing a slightly more robust malt bill than usual for a pale ale with the addition of Vienna malt and oats, leads to Branch Bridge over delivering for a beer that is only 5%. Grapefruit, peach and pine come through in spades, carried effortlessly by a creamy, fluffy medium body.

Idle Hands 34- A robust porter brewed in honor of Red Sox legend David Ortiz. Clocking in at a sturdy 6.7%, 34 offers up notes of dark chocolate, caramel and dark fruit all carried by a medium to full body. It finishes with a touch of sweetness to balance out the dark, roasty malt tones.

## Beer Club Hop Heads

Aeronaut King Louie- A limited release Double IPA coming from Somerville's Aeronaut Brewing Company. This beer features a new school & old school hop combo of Citra and Simcoe and Aeronaut utilizes the hops with both old and new techniques. This results in an IPA

that is a hybrid of the west coast and east coast styles. The nose is dank, piney hops crossed with grapefruit and pineapple. The flavor follows, with the forgotten step-child of every IPA recipe, malt, making an appearance to balance out the piney bitterness of the Simcoe hops.

Rising Tide Mountainside- A hazy, New England IPA coming in at a crushable 6% from the fine folks at Rising Tide. This features a classic malt bill for New England IPA, with oats and white wheat utilized for that signature creamy, pillowy body we all seek out in a well-made New England IPA. The elaborate hop combination of El Dorado, Bravo, Cascade, Lotus, Huell Melon and Simcoe hops offers up notes of pineapple, melon, red berries and grapefruit. A slight, grapefruit zest-like bitterness carries the finish.

Grimm Access to Tools- Yes, we know, another Grimm. But wait, this is new and exciting! Phantasm is a brand new brewing ingredient only recently available to commercial brewers. It is a concentrated powder derived from New Zealand Sauvignon Blanc grapes that features a highly concentrated amount of Thiol precursors. Thiols are volatile flavor compounds that, depending on the concentration, can lend flavors of citrus, guava and passionfruit. Grimm also brewed the beer with minimal bitterness to best showcase this new ingredient.

Barewolf Ectoplasmic Heartbreak- The north shore haze masters at Barewolf produced another hazy gem. This is a once a year release, this year featuring Lotus and El Dorado hops. Expect a really smooth, juicy IPA carried by a soft, pillowy body. This will hit you with notes of lemon-lime, guava, red berries and a hint of bubblegum on the finish.

Sloop Brewing Low Turbidity- The name gives up the change-up Sloop brewing threw with this beer. Low Turbidity is a west coast-style IPA featuring Simcoe, Mosaic cryo and Amarillo T45 pellet hops. This ends up with a slightly softer bitterness due to the use of cryo and T45 hop products. Cryo hops are whole leaf hops that have been frozen at sub-zero temperatures to separate the lupulin powder from the plant matter; T45 hops are pelletized hops that go through a similar freezing process.

Seven Saws Brewing VII - A nice surprise here for our hop heads, Seven Saws is a brand new brewery to the store out of Holden, Massachusetts. Seven is their flagship, New England-style IPA. A nice, bright hop profile of Apollo, Citra, Vic Secret and Simcoe offers notes of nectarine, tangerine and peaches with a subtle piney bitterness. A slightly lighter body keeps this in the quaffable range.