

Opinion (or TBR)	Tasting Date Range	GABS 100 2022	GABS 200 2021	Tasting Notes Sorted alphabetically by Beer Style	ABV %	Style
OK	Sep-Oct 2022			4 Pines Indian Summer Ale 4.2% - the can says Tropical crisp honeydew and that's about right. Some mandarine and malt touches too	4.2	Ale
OK	Jun-Oct 2023	21	47	Balter Eazy Hazy 4% - Lemon, lime, spritz/zest, apricot, orange, subtle smokiness, white pepper, nice bitterness, easy throwdown at this ABV	4	Ale
OK	Apr-May 2023			Breheeny Bros Maltx Non-Alcoholic 0.5% - similar taste to others of this genre, healthy malt level, mild tar, honey, walnut, chocolate, cantaloupe. Struggled to find the fruit, but this doesn't mean it is not an unpleasant brew	0.5	Ale
OK	Jan-Feb 2022			Cricketers Session Ale 3.5% - closer to a lager than an Ale, perfumed initial taste, touch of pepper, low bitterness. Just ok, but a style that some will go for	3.5	Ale
OK	Apr-May 2023			Hawkers Rover Henty St. Ale 4.3% - white peach, nectarine, some acid (not sour), black tea, mid-bitterness that lingers subtly at the back, summer day throwdown at this alc level	4.3	Ale
OK	Jan-Jun 2021			Kaiju Main Squeeze Passion Guava Session Ale 3.2% - tasty mid-strength with lemon citrus (oddly missing overt passionfruit and guava flavours), fresh, clean and crisp. Throw it down on a warm summer day	3.2	Ale
OK	Apr-May 2023			Mountain Goat Steam Ale (Organic) 4.5% (tap) - been drinking this off and on for years but forgotten to review. Easy drinking ale, crisp, clean, hoppy, low malt, caramel, orange. Served a bit cold to allow full expression. A lager/ale crossover that stands the test of time	4.5	Ale
OK	Jan-Mar 2023			Prickly Moses Chainsaw Ale 4.8% (tap) - passionfruit, violets, wheat malt, grapefruit rind, citrus, mango. Lovely bitterness balance	4.8	Ale
OK	Apr-May 2023	4	2	Stone & Wood Pacific Ale 4.4% (tap) - popular for a reason, easy drinking Ale, citrus (orange/lemon), passionfruit, low bitterness, low malt, fresh and clean	4.4	Ale
OK	Jul-Sep 2021			Tallboy and Moose Straight to the Poolroom Australian Ale with Pepper berry 7% - eucalyptus, cinnamon, dark honey, crisp, pencil shaving, guava, black pepper	7.0	Ale
OK	Jan-Mar 2023			Thunder Road Brunswick Bitter Ale 4.6% 24 IBU (tap sample) - malt, crisp, rounded hoppy bitterness, burnt honey/toffee. A proper bitter style to slake an afternoon thirst	4.6	Ale
OK	Jan-Mar 2023			Thunder Road Tropical Splash Pacific Ale 4.2% - tropical, citrus, orange peel, white pepper, chewy, pleasant malt and acid finish. Begs for more consumption on the right day	4.2	Ale
OK	Jan-Jun 2021			Two Metre Tall Cleansing Ale 4.9% - blend of 2019/20 brews, bottled 07/20, drunk 02/21. Complex sour with v. good acid, farmyard flavours, lemon and orange rind. Mellow for a sour, expect more development with further bottle age, excellent now	4.9	Ale
OK	Jun-Oct 2023			Valhalla Golden Ale 4.6% (tap) - Banana, brioche, wheat beer style but not 'fill you up' like the norm, light colour, lemon/lime, low bitterness, clean	4.6	Ale
OK	Apr-May 2023			Venom Golden Ale 4.8% - broad tropical flavours, honey, malt and nut undercarriage, sweet spice, crisp, clean and full mouthfeel that lingers long	4.8	Ale
OK	Oct-Dec 2021			Warrantyte Brewing Co Sunnyside Ale 3.5% - orange, tropical, fresh, clean, eucalypt and spice finish, very sessionable alternative esp. for summer	3.5	Ale
OK	Jun-Oct 2023	89	145	Little Creatures Rogers Smooth Amber Ale 3.8% - Dark ale with malt backbone, crisp, clean, sessionable	3.8	Ale (Amber)
OK	Apr-May 2023			Bridge Road Life On The Peloton 4.4% - hops, malt, spelt all sourced in Oz, Belgian yeast cultured in Melbourne gives a Witbier/Asahi lager character (crisp, fresh). Collaboration with recently retired Aussie cyclist Mitch Docker (the Belgian yeast part) apparently	4.4	Ale (Belgian Blonde)
OK	Apr-May 2023			Bridge Road Eggster Triple Chocolate Ale 6.0% - coffee nose, rich dark (Swiss?) creamy chocolate, lovely round mouthfeel	6	Ale (Choc)
OK	Apr-May 2023			Bent Spoke Braddon Bitter Best Bitter 5% (tap/hand pump) - dark brown colour, malt, mid-roast coffee, caramel, mocha(?), walnut, creamy, no fizz so easy to throw down (dangerous). Different but good	5	Ale (English Bitter)

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OK	Jun-Oct 2023			Pirate Life Strong Lemon Crush 6% - described as a 'brewed alcoholic beverage', it looks a bit like a cross between beer and orange cordial. Strong lemon/orange flavour (can lists sweetener as Monk Fruit extract). No head a disappointment. And the taste. Would appeal to a 16yo (as may be the intent), or as a refresher on a very hot day when anything will do	6	Ale (Flavoured Malt Beverage)
OK	Apr-May 2023			Modus Operandi Brewing Hazy Pacific 4.5% - hazy, passionfruit, lemon/lime zest, grapefruit, astringent turn after the front-forward fruit	4.5	Ale (Pacific)
OK	Jun-Oct 2023			Kilkenny Irish Red Ale 4.3% IBU 29 (tap) - Consumed at an Irish Bar in North Queensland, it's about time I passed comment on Guinness' main competitor. Gorgeous creamy white head, red/brown colour, full, smooth, malty, mid-bitter mouthfeel. Satisfying finish with coffee and raisin sweetness and bitterness in perfect harmony. Preferred by many Irish to the well-known stout alternative	4.3	Ale (Red)
OK	Jun-Oct 2023			Two Birds Sunset (Red) Ale 4.6% - malty (9 different malts apparently), pine, grapefruit, lemon rind. The malt dominates the back palate but finishes clean and crisp. Not a warming dark background entirely, but enjoyable for the fresh lift there	4.6	Ale (Red)
OK	Jan-Mar 2023			Urban Alley Blonde Ale 4.5% - crisp and clean, honey and orange, biscuit, touch of pepper and spice	4.5	Ale/Low Gluten
OK	Mar-Jun 2022		185	Bright Hellfire Amber Ale 5% (tap) - not sure about the relevance of the name, fairly undistinguished Amber Ale, no faults per se, just not quite enough happening (should have trusted the shoulder shrug of the Royston bar guy when asking for his recommendation)	5.0	Amber Ale
TBR	Sep 18-Mar 19			Coedo Beniaka Sweet Potato Amber 7% (TBR)	7	Amber Ale
OK	Oct-Dec 2021			Small and Freeman Brewing Amber Ale 5% - commercial beer quality	5.0	Amber Ale
OK	Sep 18-Mar 19			Deep Creek NZ Kombi APA 4.7% - subtle springs immediately to mind, good acid, fruits and bitterness combine well. Liked it	4.7	APA
OK	Sep 18-Mar 19			Gage Roads Atomic APA 4.7% - coffee and mocha, medium bitterness, sessionable without being a great beer	4.7	APA
OK	Oct-Dec 2021			Hobo Brewing APA 4.2% 40 IBU - grapefruit and lemon rind, eucalyptus, pepper spice, apricot, bitter and fresh	4.2	APA
OK	Sep 18-Mar 19			James Squire Hop Thief APA No 9 5% - nice bitterness, good acid, no fancy fruit beyond grapefruit pith. Eminently drinkable on a warm summer day and whenever the urge grabs you. Pretty fair effort from Lion	5	APA
OK	Sep 18-Mar 19			Mountain Goat Pale Ale (APA) 5.2% 35 IBU - easy drinking Pale, citrus and sessionable. Bitterness doesn't feel as if it reaches the IBU obtained from a 2015 review and wonder if the brewer had wound it back. Ok nonetheless	5.2	APA
OK	Jul-Dec 2020			Panhead Super Charger APA 5.7% - malt, burnt toffee, dark chocolate and good bitterness	5.7	APA
OK	Oct-Dec 2021			Sauce Brewing Hop Sauce (American) Pale Ale 4.5% - apricot, guava, paw paw, grapefruit, mid bitterness. Nothing really to distinguish this from many similar examples of this style	4.5	APA
OK	Sep 18-Mar 19			Tuatara Tomahawk APA 5.6% - coffee, malt, toffee, dark chocolate, lingering bitterness - not for everyone but good for those who like meat on the bitter	5.6	APA
OK	Jul-Aug 2022			Mill Brewery BA Belgian Barleywine 13.9% (tap) - cloudy Yarra River appearance, molasses, warming burnt honey/toffee, mocha and chai coffee, liquorice with a somewhat tarry finish. Sip by an open fire and take in the cool warmth	13.9	BA Barleywine
OK	Mar-Jun 2022			Breheeny Bros Sparkling Bitter 5% - brewed by Burnley Brewing this beer follows the original Breheeny family recipe apparently. At the front it's similar to a Heineken but there's a floral, orange lift that persists at the back. Mid bitterness. Clean. Quite a pleasant difference	5.0	Bitter Ale
OK	Jan-Mar 2023			The Mill Brewery The Dark Lord 6.6% - dark malt, chestnut, coffee, walnut, liquorice, bread yeast, round mellow chocolate	6.6	Black IPA
OK	Sep 18-Mar 19			Bad Shepherd Hazelnut Brown 5.9% 29 IBU - toasted hazelnut, dark chocolate and malt, nice bitterness - a good stout	5.9	Brown Ale
OK	Jan-Jun 2021			Mornington Peninsula Brown 5% - malt, coffee, chocolate and toffee. Modest bitterness adds an element of sessionability to this clean brown	5	Brown Ale
OK	Apr-Oct 2019			Mr Banks Glen CoCo Coconut Cream Brown Ale 6.1% - low bitterness, coffee, mocha, hint of coconut, toasty winter warmer. Tried at my usual 'cold' beer temp - reckon the flavours would do even better a bit warmer	6.1	Brown Ale
OK	Apr-Oct 2019			Red Hill Brewery Scotch Wee Heavy Brown Ale 5.9% 19 IBU - caramel, toffee, sweet dark raisin, long, round mouthfeel. Drink all winter long	5.9	Brown Ale
OK	Jan-Feb 2022			Bodriggy Blinker Dark Ale 5.2% - smooth, malt, chocolate, biscuit, honey, warming, well-made dark ale	5.2	Dark Ale

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OK	Jan-Jun 2021			Moo Brew Dark Ale 5% - coffee, malt, dark toffee, clean and crisp. Winter time idler	5.0	Dark Ale
OK	Mar-Jun 2022			Salt Brewing Harvest Ale 6.2% (dark ale) - coffee, burnt toffee, chocolate, licorice, crisp, savoury - good dark ale	6.2	Dark Ale
OK	Jul-Sep 2021			Molly Rose Kuro Japanese Dark Lager 6% - smoked malt, rich, dark chocolate, coffee, mushroom, miso. Another good lager	6.0	Dark Lager
OK	Sep 18-Mar 19			Monteith's Black Beer 5.2% - a worthy full flavoured dark beer. Malt, coffee, dark chocolate, full mouthfeel, moderate bitterness	5.2	Dark/Stout
OK	Jan-Jun 2021	45	8	Ballistic Beer Hawaiian Haze DDH Pale Ale 4.6% IBU 30 - hazy, lemon, grapefruit, orange zest, hoppy, crisp, clean and lip-smacking	4.6	DDH Pale
OK	Mar-Jun 2022			Molly Rose Little Rosé Skin Contact Farmhouse Ale (Limited Release) 5.8% - on point for its name, sour, farmhouse (bacterial/yeasty/eggy), lemon orange spritz, acid (lactic mainly). If you like the style, this is a great example	5.8	Farmhouse Ale
OK	Mar-Jun 2022			Molly Rose Question Marc Skin Contact Farmhouse Ale 5.1% (tap) - bordering on a Gose/Sour, real farmhouse style, floral (Jasmine), yeasty, lemon, lactic acid, savoury, with a crisp freshness. Excellent	5.1	Farmhouse Ale
OK	Nov-Dec 2022			Black Arts Brewers Red Wild Aged Farmhouse Ale 6% (750ml bottle) - apparently inspired by traditional Belgian beer making, lemon citrus sour, Brett hint nicely held in check, caramel, vanilla oak and red wine finish. True to craft beer making artistry	6.0	Farmhouse/ Red Ale
OK	Nov 19-Jun 20			Bright Brewery Beer DeLuxe Mystery beer 6.1% - honey, Amarillo hops, orange rind, grapefruit, macadamia nut, nice rounded bitterness (Brew to be revealed Feb 2020 - missed the reveal)	6.1	German Altbier
OK	Sep 18-Mar 19			Hahn Ultra Crisp 4.2% - worthy addition to the Gluten Free beer range in 2019. Just misses on a full mouthfeel, but who's complaining if GF is your only option	4.2	GF
No	Sep 18-Mar 19			Glutenberg IPA Gluten Free 6% - Hop bitterness, not much else. However, it is a GF craft beer and something for those who have no other option	6	GF/IPA
OK	Oct-Dec 2021			TwoBays Brewing IPA 6% GF - refreshing bitter ale, citrus (lemon, grapefruit), great alternative for the coeliac/gluten intolerant beer drinker	6.0	GF/IPA
OK	Jul-Sep 2021			Tallboy and Moose Gin Basket IPA 6.2% - juniper berry, honey, hoppy, molasses, marmalade	6.2	Gin IPA
OK	Sep 18-Mar 19			Nomad Brewing Freshie Watermelon Gose 4.5% - watermelon and rockmelon, label includes sea salt as ingredient and this softens the fruit. Liked it a fair bit, and a surprise	4.5	Gose
OK	Jan-Mar 2023			Garage Project Golden Path Hazy IPA 4.2% (tap) - hazy and pale (tick), lemon, orange/citrus, spritz, acid, sweet/sour melange works well	4.2	Hazy IPA
OK	Nov 19-Jun 20			East 9th Brewing Co. Doss Blockos/Merry Jane Strain #1 Mango Kush Fruity Hemp Ale 4.2% - wins the longest beer name prize. A hemp backbone overlaid by tropical notes result in a fruity, acid-balanced session ale	4.2	Hemp Ale
OK	Oct-Dec 2021			Prentice & Sons HB - honey malt, acetone, banana, lacquer	5.0	Hofbräu Beer
OK	Sep 18-Mar 19			Bad Shepherd The Almighty IIPA 100 IBU 9.2% - bitter as, a big Hop bomb needing a serious commitment, but worth one or two	9.2	IIPA
OK	Nov 19-Jun 20			Forrest Brewing Untamed Turkey DIPA 7.5% - caramel malt, toffee, dark chocolate, moderate bitterness. Quite a good beer - a great winter warmer	7.5	IIPA
OK	Jan-Jun 2021			Garage Project Harmonic Convergence 8.4% - IIPA blended with a sour produces an interesting union of sweet & sour (with a bit of orange fruit happening). More an experiment, perhaps, than a serious beer. Pleasant, it just misses satisfying either style	8.4	IIPA
OK	Jan-Mar 2023			Mountain Goat Blood Orange IIPA 7.5% (tap) - hazy, deep brown colour, not a lot of blood orange as it happens, first beer pulled from the tap on a quiet day - can't discount this, orange rind, tart, acid. Not a lot else	7.5	IIPA
OK	Sep 18-Mar 19			3 Ravens Juicy IPA 6% - tropical, blood orange, yes	6	IPA
OK	Jan-Jun 2021			3 Ravens New World IPA 5.8% - malt and hops, burnt toffee, orange zest, cloudy/hazy, crisp	5.8	IPA
OK	Jul-Dec 2020			Akasha Little Smith IPA 3.5% - low ABV but still sufficiently bitter for a satisfying taste with mandarin/grapefruit zest and pine	3.5	IPA

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OK	Jul-Dec 2020			Akasha Project Eclipse IPA 6.8% - passionfruit on the forward palate with grapefruit and orange peel on the back giving a mid-bitterness finish	6.8	IPA
OK	Mar-Jun 2022			Atomic Hazy Sessions IPA 4.5% - crisp grapefruit, lemon, melon, orange, malt with firm hop underlay. Full flavour and finishes well	4.5	IPA
OK	Sep 18-Mar 19			Aust Brewery All Star IPA Session 4.2% 45 IBU - lemon citrus, nice bitterness, a clever IPA that is very sessionable as the name suggests	4.2	IPA
TBR	Sep 18-Mar 19			Bad Shepherd Citrus and Cedar American IPA 6.5% 60 IBU (TBR)	6.5	IPA
OK	Nov 19-Jun 20			Bad Shepherd Hazy IPA 6% IBU 33 - orange and passionfruit, moderately bitter, nice acid - good summer's day thirst quencher	6	IPA
OK	Jan-Jun 2021			Barrabool Hills Brewery Cockies IPA 5.9% - spicy, good bitterness befitting an IPA, crisp, clean, nice acid, lemon/grapefruit citrus. Sessionable, for the serious drinker	5.9	IPA
OK	Sep 18-Mar 19			Beastie Boys Digital IPA 5.7% - malt and bitterness over orange and pine. A good IPA style	5.7	IPA
OK	Apr-May 2023			Beerfarm Blood Orange IPA 5.5% - not as much 'blood' orange as expected. Orange, lemon, grapefruit, pepper spice, low malt, mid bitterness, crisp, fresh, zesty. Citra and Amarillo hops	5.5	IPA
OK	Sep 18-Mar 19	3	1	BentSpoke Crankshaft Cranking IPA 5.8% 35 IBU - nice bitterness and zesty citrus mix, great served icy cold. Can has full top opening (à la Colonial) for big, enjoyable mouthfuls	5.8	IPA
OK	Jan-Feb 2022	3	1	BentSpoke Crankshaft Cranking IPA 5.8% 35 IBU - warming malt and orange, mid bitterness held in balance by citrus and buttery yeast flavours. Well regarded	5.8	IPA
OK	Jan-Jun 2021	84	41	BentSpoke Sprocket IPA 7% (tap) - honey melon, tangerine and orange rind, apricot, round mouthfeel, good bitterness	7	IPA
OK	Apr-Oct 2019			Big Shed Brewing I Am A Brut IPA 6.6% - modest bitterness, sarsaparilla, coffee, blood orange citrus, sessionable but watch the alcohol	6.6	IPA
OK	Nov 19-Jun 20			Billson's Albury Black IPA 4.2% 355ml - dark, creamy, roasted malt with firm hop bitterness and pistachio and walnut lift. A serious black IPA for a winter's afternoon session before an open fire	4.2	IPA
OK	Apr-May 2023	10	5	Black Hops GOAT Hazy IPA 6% - orange, lemon, other citrus/tropical, spice, dusty, white pepper. True hazy appearance. Finishes crisp and lip-smacking	6	IPA
OK	Sep 18-Mar 19			Black Sheep Brewery Yorkshire Monty Python's Flying Circus A Very Silly IPA 4.5% 500ml - bitterness fine, Amarillo, reasonable price at ALDI, OK	4.5	IPA
OK	Oct-Dec 2021			Black Sheep Brewing (UK) IPA 4.6% - budget offer from Aldi. Nicely bitter, hoppy, with subtle tropical and citrus notes underlaid. 500ml bottle at good price	4.6	IPA
OK	Jan-Mar 2023	66	9	Blackman's Juicy Banger IPA 5.8% (tap) - see earlier can review	5.8	IPA
OK	Jul-Dec 2020			Blackmans Reginald IPA 6.2% - orange and grapefruit, fleshy, restrained bitterness. Winter warmer	6.2	IPA
OK	Jan-Jun 2021			Boatrocker Big Love Haze IPA 6.2% (tap) - lemon, tropical, nice acid, throw down style, ok but not exceptional	6.2	IPA
OK	Oct-Dec 2021	72	51	Bodriggy Speccy Juice Session IPA 3.5% - orange rind, tropical, pine resin, hopped up. Good session alternative, solid body, but would want a cleanser	3.5	IPA
OK	Jan-Feb 2022			Bodriggy Your (sic.) Not Wrong (NZ cold IPA) 7% - honey, blood orange, gelatinous, resin, bitterness compètes with the honey	7.0	IPA
OK	Nov 19-Jun 20			Bonehead Brewing West Coast IPA 6% - dry, citrus, touch of orange zest and grapefruit, pomegranate, ok	6	IPA
OK	Sep 18-Mar 19			Brew Dog Punk IPA 35 IBU 5.6% (Scotland) - a moderately bitter beer without the fruit common in many other IPA. Hint of caramel, clean, no fuss, old style traditional and a nice change, OK	5.6	IPA
OK	Oct-Dec 2021		118	Brick Lane Avalanche Hazy IPA 6.7% - apricot, melon, mandarine, touch of cut grass, unctuous, bitterness masked by everything else happening. Well made	6.7	IPA
OK	Apr-May 2023			Bridge Road New Sky IPA Vol 5 6.8% - malt to the fore, nectarine, white peach, orange rind, spice lift, good length at the back, deceptive alcohol - could almost be sessionable, but beware the alc.	6.8	IPA

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OK	Apr-May 2023			Bridge Road/Fox Friday Hazy Harvest Fresh Hop IPA 6.3% (440ml) - refined canned pea on the nose, orange, weighty palate, fresh, fruity hop bitterness (no indication of which given on can but Cascade plus anor. perhaps), pith.	6.3	IPA
OK	Apr-May 2023			Brooklyn The Stonewall Inn Session IPA 4.8% (tap) - orange, almond, caramel, modestly crisp, low malt and less than usual bitterness for an IPA. Easy quaff	4.8	IPA
TBR	Sep 18-Mar 19			Burleigh Brewing Fig Jam IPA 7% 68 IBU (TBR)	7	IPA
TBR	Sep 18-Mar 19			Cavalier Black Coffee IPA 6.6% (TBR)	6.6	IPA
OK	Sep 18-Mar 19		121	CBCo (Colonial) IPA 6.5% - good solid IPA, full lift can top novel & smart for summer pouring	6.5	IPA
OK	Mar-Jun 2022		121	CBCo (Colonial) IPA 6.5% - now with normal flip top. Malt, caramel, bitter, citrus fruits (orange/rind, grapefruit). Still good, however	6.5	IPA
OK	Sep 18-Mar 19			Chur Brewing Tropical As IPA 6.5% (NZ) - true to its name, passionfruit, mango, nice bitterness - tick	6.5	IPA
OK	Sep 18-Mar 19			Co-conspirators Brewing Matriarch IPA 6.5% - passionfruit, tropical, perhaps trying too hard, reasonable	6.5	IPA
OK	Jun-Oct 2023			Coldstream Brewery IPA 6.5% - Creamy, almost unctuous, burnt orange, melon, grapefruit, dark toffee and excellent bitterness that lingers long at the back. Can notes 'Ale, Munich and Crystal malts and Mosaic, Citra, Simcoe and Cascade hops'	6.5	IPA
OK	Jan-Feb 2022			Colossal Brewing Mind Harvest East Coast IPA 6% - citrus, spice, malt, caramelised toffee, mid+-bitterness, full mouthfeel - pretty good	6.0	IPA
OK	Oct-Dec 2021			Dainton Beer Mosaic My Day Single-Hop Hazy Session IPA 5% 40 IBU - apricot, melon, tropical, orange, spice, bitterness well integrated	5.0	IPA
OK	Apr-Oct 2019		55	Deeds Brewing Juice Train New England IPA 6.5% - tropical fruits, orange, moderate bitterness, good mouthfeel, good summer drinking	6.5	IPA
OK	Sep 18-Mar 19			Deep Creek Pontoon in a Monsoon IPA 440ml 6.9% 70 IBU - Hop bitterness, coffee & citrus similar to Hop Hog, OK	6.9	IPA
TBR	Sep 18-Mar 19			Drake's Brewing Hop Vice White IPA 6.2% 67 IBU (TBR)	6.2	IPA
OK	Sep 18-Mar 19			Epic Gin IPA 7.6% - something different and worth a try if you can get it	7.6	IPA
OK	Oct-Dec 2021			Epic Haze Maze East Coast IPA 6.7% - malt, citrus (orange rind, blood orange, grapefruit), eucalypt, pepper and spice, good	6.7	IPA
OK	Sep 18-Mar 19			Fixation IPA 6.4% 65 IBU - something of a gold standard in IPA. Clean, pine, citrus, passionfruit, good Hop bitterness. Yes pls, one of favourites	6.4	IPA
OK	Oct-Dec 2021			Fixation Little Ray Hazy IPA - modest disappointment, given I'm normally a Fixation fan. Citrus (lemon rind, grapefruit) and not much more, although some orange and pine appear as the beer warms in the glass	5.2	IPA
OK	Sep 18-Mar 19			Fixation Obsession Session IPA 4.6% - ok session IPA	4.6	IPA
OK	Sep 18-Mar 19			Fixation Squish Citrus IPA 5.9% - citrus, tropical take on IPA, makes no excuse with the name, enjoyable but not all afternoon	5.9	IPA
OK	Jun-Oct 2023			Fox Friday Hazy IPA 6% 440ml - Refined offering here with subtlety its hallmark. Malt immediately obvious, earthy with burnt orange, pear, cherry, white peach, pine	6	IPA
OK	Apr-Oct 2019			Gage Roads Atomic Beer Project IPA 5.6% 45 IBU - lacks a little in the mid palate, reasonable bitterness, citrus, orange peel, sessionable	5.6	IPA
OK	Jan-Jun 2021			Gage Roads Rock Dance IPA 6.5% (tap) - caramel and dark toffee, char, full mouthfeel, good bitterness with grapefruit rind on the back palate. Winter warmer	6.5	IPA
OK	Nov 19-Jun 20			Gage Roads Sleeping Giant IPA 5.4% - one of the originals, good bitterness, malt, vanilla, dark chocolate	5.4	IPA
OK	Sep 18-Mar 19			Garage Project (NZ) Boss Level Ultra IPA 8.5% 100 IBU - Hop bitterness and malt, blood orange takes the edge off the bitterness - serious beer, tick	8.5	IPA
OK	Jun-Oct 2023			Garage Project Golden Path Hazy IPA 4% - Orange, pine, grapefruit, lemon, mid-bitterness, crisp. Pine lingers and the whole gives good value for a session ale	4	IPA
OK	Oct-Dec 2021			Garage Project Golden Path Hazy IPA 4% - tropical fruit, orange, peach kernel, hoppy, low malt, mid mouthfeel, summer session option	4.0	IPA
OK	Sep 18-Mar 19			Goose IPA 5.9% 55 IBU - stock IPA with good bitterness and mouthfeel. On tap widely attests to its general appeal	5.9	IPA

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OK	Jun-Oct 2023			Green Beacon Tropical IPA 6.3% - Treacly, creamy, orangey - a bit too many 'y' things for me perhaps. That aside, some nice bitterness and dank characters make it worth trying one or two	6.3	IPA
OK	Nov 19-Jun 20			Hawkers IPA 6.5% - citrus (lemon/grapefruit), nice acid and bitterness, toffee and malt. Similar to Goose IPA	6.5	IPA
OK	Sep 18-Mar 19			Hawthorn Brewing Aust IPA 58 IBU 5.8% - something not quite right here. Missing balance, the bitterness, hops and malt don't gel	5.8	IPA
OK	Oct-Dec 2021			Hop Nation The Chop IPA 7% - smoky, bbq, citrus, pine, acid tang/citric, lip smack, mid-bitterness and lanolin. Easy to forget it's 7%	7.0	IPA
OK	Sep-Oct 2022			Hop Nation The Hustle IPA 5.8% 55IBU - citrus, pine, low malt, hoppy, although middish bitterness	5.8	IPA
OK	Jan-Jun 2021			John Boston The End Island IPA 4.5% - dark molasses, orange rind, malt and mid+ bitterness- a reasonable effort from the Woolworths stable	4.5	IPA
OK	Jan-Jun 2021			Kaiju Aftermath Double IPA 9.1% - eponymous brew consumed in the immediate aftermath of India's flogging of Australia in cricket. Bitter (the beer, not the result), malt, dark toffee with an orange rind and malt zest. You'd Pant after a couple of these	9.1	IPA
OK	Apr-Oct 2019			Kaiju Beer Metamorphosis IPA 6.7% - fresh citrus bitterness, guava tropicality, easy drinking (but watch the alcohol), lingers long on the back palate	6.7	IPA
OK	Sep 18-Mar 19			Karl Strauss Tower 10 IPA 7% 83 IBU - solidly bitter, grapefruit, burnt toffee malt. Serious IPA	7	IPA
OK	Sep-Oct 2022			Little Creatures Squeaky Clean < 100 Calories IPA 4% - toasty malt bitterness over citrus (orange, lemon) sweet/tartness with a hint of tropical fruit	4.0	IPA
OK	Jul-Sep 2021			Mill Brewery Man with the Golden Haze 7.4% - Ginger, pepper, spice, burnt orange, acid wipe	7.4	IPA
OK	Nov 19-Jun 20			Molly Rose Skylight IPA 5.7% - crisp, fresh, citrus, apricot, really good bitterness that is not overwhelming. Great new West Coast IPA style	5.7	IPA
OK	Nov 19-Jun 20			Monteith's Phoenix IPA 5% - coffee, smoky, citrus, crisp finish, a touch of stout - one from Monteith's they got pretty right	5	IPA
OK	Jan-Jun 2021			Moon Dog/Little Bang Dubbel IPA 8.5% (tap) - roasted honey, blood orange, full round mouthfeel, long bitter finish with stewed apricot lift. Ok	8.5	IPA
OK	Nov 19-Jun 20			Mornington Peninsula IPA 6.2% - zesty, citrus, spicy, Amarillo(?), works mainly on the front palate, subtly long finish	6.2	IPA
OK	Mar-Jun 2022			Mountain Goat Cold IPA 6.2% - Big malt, blood orange, bitterness subdued somewhat by the former which linger on the back palate. OK but missing a little balance	6.2	IPA
OK	Jan-Jun 2021			Mr Banks Brewery Short Round DDH Session IPA 4.1% - passionfruit, guava, lychee, citrus flavours, mid-bitterness and acid, crisp with lingering freshness	4.1	IPA
OK	Jul-Dec 2020			Mr Banks West Coast IPA 6.2% - orange citrus although not dominating; essentially dry and hoppy with a mid bitterness finish	6.2	IPA
OK	Apr-Oct 2019			Murray's Fred IPA 5.6% - good, hoppy, citrus and pine; more please	5.6	IPA
OK	Sep-Oct 2022			New Belgium Brewing (Lion) Voodoo Ranger IPA 6.8% - malt, burnt toffee, orange rind, citrus, molasses touch, crisp and fresh, nice round mouthfeel	6.8	IPA
OK	Sep 18-Mar 19			Nomad Brewing Champers Brut IPA 6.5% (500ml) - like a Black Velvet with passionfruit and lemon, integrated bitterness and soft lip smacking acidity. Definitely a new style that might find a niche	6.5	IPA
OK	Sep 18-Mar 19			Nomad Brewing Juicy as Fruit IPA 4.5% - blood orange and tropical fruits but with bitterness not common in the latter. A bit hollow in the mid palate and no more than a couple a session, but ok	4.5	IPA
OK	Apr-May 2023			Ocean Reach Brewing IPA 6.4% - honey, grapefruit, lemon, caramel malt, mandarin, assertive bitterness, Amarillo hopped?	6.4	IPA
OK	Apr-Oct 2019			ParrotDog Hawkeye Session IPA 4% - citrus, moderate bitterness, good session ale and similar to other pales in this style	4	IPA
OK	Mar-Jun 2022			Pirate Life Azacca Single Hop IPA 7% - crisp, bracing bitterness with grapefruit rind, lemon and lingering acid finish. Serious drinker brew	7.0	IPA
OK	Jun-Oct 2023			Port Phillip Hazy IPA 6% (tap) - Hazy, orange, marmalade, tropical fruits, char toffee, mid bitterness. Reasonable	6	IPA

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OK	Mar-Jun 2022			Roaring Days Brewing (ALDI) Iron Bark Chip Hazy IPA 4.8% - sessionable IPA, citrus, lemon rind, white peach, mid-bitterness, low malt. Very affordable at ALDI prices but ok	4.8	IPA
OK	Jan-Mar 2023			Robe Town Brewery Do You Make an IPA 7% - malt, burnt orange, honey, roasted chestnut, mid bitterness spectrum, sediment - not my favourite among the IPA genre, yeast sediment possibly ensuring unpredictable final outcomes	7.0	IPA
OK	Jan-Jun 2021			Sailors Grave Brewing Embers Red IPA 6.5% - caramel, dark treacle, spice, malt, lemon, sweetness and sourness in balance. A winter warmer or with prosciutto, pecorino and farm olives in summer	6.5	IPA
No	Sep 18-Mar 19			Sample Brew 3/4 IPA 4.2% - no thanks	4.2	IPA
TBR	Sep 18-Mar 19			Stillwater Super Hop Non-tropical IPA 6% (TBR)	6	IPA
OK	Apr-Oct 2019			Stockade Brew Co 8 bit IPA 6.5% 65 IBU - caramel, pine, lemon citrus, nice bitterness, tempting to throw down fast	6.5	IPA
OK	Jan-Feb 2022		182	Stomping Ground Hop Stomper IPA 6% - orange citrus with a slight lemon and strawberry twist, bitter, clean, ester lift? - pretty well crafted West Coast IPA style	6.0	IPA
OK	Apr-Oct 2019			Stone Brewing Go To Session IPA 4.8% (473ml) - pine, citrus, bitter; an IPA style without the alcohol. May not be to everyone's taste	4.8	IPA
OK	Sep 18-Mar 19			Stone Brewing Tangerine Express IPA 6.7% 75 IBU - tangerine, citrus overlaid on Hop bitterness and Brazil nut - not for the faint-hearted	6.7	IPA
OK	Jan-Jun 2021			Tall Boy and Moose Pillow Fight Oat Cream IPA w/Grapefruit 6% (tap) - towards the sour spectrum, contains lactose, hazy, mandarin/grapefruit, mild spritz, restrained bitterness	6.0	IPA
OK	Mar-Jun 2022			Tallboy and Moose Chubby Bunny Marshmallow IPA 6% - perfumed, sweet red fruits overlay a solid hop backbone, some guava, cranberry and pear late. Crazy name - off putting you might say - but somewhat of a surprise for its serious elements	6.0	IPA
OK	Jan-Jun 2021			Tallboy and Moose Hollywood Homeboy West Coast IPA 6% - orange notes, lip smacking mouthfeel, good bitterness with nice malt backbone. Very pleasant	6	IPA
OK	Oct-Dec 2021			Temple Brewing Hops Into Darkness IPA 6.6% - bacon fat, pine, toast, coffee, dark malts, sweet resin and cedar lift to finish	6.6	IPA
TBR	Sep 18-Mar 19			Thunder Road IPA 60 IBU 4.9% (TBR)	4.9	IPA
OK	Nov 19-Jun 20			Two Birds Brewing IPA 5.8% - crisp, fresh, nice acid, passionfruit, grapefruit rind, malt backbone. These brewers know their stuff	5.8	IPA
OK	Apr-May 2023			Vale Brewing Fox Hat Red Pelt IPA 7.8% 88 IBU - big malt, molasses, dark coffee, burnt toffee, black pepper, liquorice. Nothing tropical or citrusy here. Deep red-brown hue and commitment needed. Winter warmer	7.8	IPA
OK	Nov 19-Jun 20			Vale Brewing Fox Hat Red Pelt IPA 7.8% 88 IBU - hoppy, good bitterness that lingers long and pleasantly, coffee, malt. Great red beer	7.8	IPA
OK	Jul-Aug 2022			Vale Brewing/Fox Hat Brewing Metric West Coast IPA 7% 80 IBU - honey, malt, molasses, smoky, resin, burnt orange, solid bitterness and hop blend that is still eminently enjoyable. Surprise package purchased from - Aldi, who'd have thought?	7.0	IPA
OK	Nov 19-Jun 20			Wayward Brewing Dead Dingo Brut IPA 6.2% 55 IBU - passionfruit, citrus, good mouthfeel and bitterness, dry, very ok	6.2	IPA
OK	Sep-Oct 2022			Wayward Brewing IPA 6% 55 IBU - West Coast style, citrus (orange, lemon hint), tropical fruits (mango, pineapple), lip-smacking, fresh tannins and hoppy bitterness - serious beer, full flavour AND gluten free ('zero detected'). Quite extraordinary for a GF beer and rewrites this genre completely!	6.0	IPA
OK	Jul-Dec 2020			Wolf Of The Willows Homage IPA 6% - orange rind citrus, moderate bitterness, good acid, malt and mouthfeel. Brewer indicates West Coast IPA style	6	IPA
OK	Nov-Dec 2022			Zytho Brewing Hemp IPA 6% (Pinnacle Drinks) - malty, hoppy, stone fruit, pine resin, burnt orange zest, hemp (dunno?) - a lot happening	6.0	IPA
OK	Jan-Mar 2023			Zytho Brewing IPA 5.4% (Tribe/Pinnacle) - honey, burnt toffee, coffee, malt, hop bitterness, cooked celeriac, earthy	5.4	IPA
OK	Mar-Jun 2022			Cecilton Brewing Plonk Brut IPA 5.5 (tap) - perfumed, touch of farmhouse, candy sweetness, good grip at the back, maybe a little biscuit. Might not be to everyone's taste but interesting different	5.5	IPA (Brut)

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OK	Oct-Dec 2021		69	Sobah Beverages Pepperberry IPA 0.5% - hoppy, citrus, spice, pepper, eucalypt - one of the best low alcohol beers. Available in Coles supermarkets	0.5	IPA/Zero Alc.
OK	Jan-Feb 2022	66	73	Blackman's Juicy Banger IPL 5.8% - passionfruit, melon, grapefruit, orange zest, malt and mid-bitter. Refreshing. Curiously, the can volume wasn't disclosed, just the Std Drinks 1.5	5.8	IPL
OK	Apr-May 2023			Temple Brewing international Women's Day Brew IPL 6.4% (tap) - Carringbush notes 'double dry hopped Indian Pale Lager', passionfruit and kiwi fruit nose, passionfruit follows through with grapefruit and lemon rind adding bitterness to a malt backbone. Very little that's old-school 'lager' other than the crisp, fresh mouthfeel. Celebrate all things Women	6.4	IPL
OK	Jul-Dec 2020			Molly Rose Tretti Tre Hazy Kviek 5% - passionfruit, guava, kiwi fruit, fresh, low bitterness - perhaps not to everyone's taste	5	Kviek/Traditional
OK	Apr-May 2023			Asahi Lager 5% (tap) - touch of molasses, caramel malt, crisp, clean. Perfect when there are no craft beer alternatives	5	Lager
OK	Jan-Feb 2022			Brick Lane Backyarder Crisp Lager 3.5% - lagers aren't my preference but this one, with its citrus/orange and malt flavours, plus lower alcohol, is a good refresher for warm summer afternoons	3.5	Lager
OK	Jan-Mar 2023			Co-Conspirators Brewing The Smuggler Cerveza 4.6% - orange, lemon, mango, crisp acid, hoppy, slight spritz, clean finish	4.6	Lager
OK	Jun-Oct 2023			Estrella Damm Pilsner Lager 5.4% (ABV not stated on tap) - One of the world's great lagers brewed in Barcelona since 1876. Fresh, spicy crisp, clean, maybe a hint of citrus/acid, smooth round mouthfeel. One of the best lager alternatives	5.4	Lager
OK	Sep 18-Mar 19			Guinness Hop House 13 Lager 4.1% - good alternative	4.1	Lager
OK	Apr-May 2023			Kirin Ichiban Lager 5% - malty, honey, apple, floral, crisp, clean, one of the great lagers	5	Lager
OK	Jun-Oct 2023			Macalister Brewing Tropical Blonde Session Lager 4.5% (tap) - North Queensland (Cairns) craft brewer. Honey, melon, crisp, clean, restrained malt, mid bitterness. Pleasant change from the mainstream brewery options that are only usually available	4.5	Lager
OK	Jun-Oct 2023			Menabrea Birra È Pura Arte in Lattina Lager 5.2% - Pilsner with a soft creamy belly overlaid by a solid malt backbone and a firm bitter finish, one of Italy's finest	5.2	Lager
OK	Jun-Oct 2023			Molly Rose No Dress Code Fairway Lager 4.6% - Brewed by Molly Rose for Studley Greens Golf/Café. Classic lager style with a lemon citrus tweak, mid-malt backbone and white pepper finish. Good result from this collaboration of near neighbours	4.6	Lager
OK	Jun-Oct 2023	122		Mountain Culture Scenic Route Session Hazy Pale 4% - Orange, lemon zest, hazy, reasonable bitterness with front and side dominance. Nice session option	4	Lager
OK	Mar-Jun 2022			Phœnix Beer (Lager) 5% - Aldi import of this Mauritian beer. A lager with a bit more happening than many others. Malty, honey, mid-bitterness with crisp orange zest finish. Excellent value at Aldi's price	5.0	Lager
No	Sep 18-Mar 19			Singha Premium Lager Imported 5% - here only because offered at a Take Away, not my style but ok for a Lager	5	Lager
OK	Jan-Mar 2023			Thunder Road Brunswick Black Lager 4.5% (draught only) - dark roast, coffee, smoked bacon, full mouthfeel, fresh with a zest that makes it a drinkable option in any season. Clever	4.5	Lager
OK	Jan-Mar 2023			Torquay Beverage Co Better Beer 4.2% - zero carbs the selling point, lager style (not my preference), low malt, think VB broadly. No faults per se	4.2	Lager
OK (with reservations)	Nov 19-Jun 20			Yeastie Boys Melon Balls Dortmund Melon Lager 5.1% - Rockmelon, lime, bubble-gum, guava, violets. A bit too much front of palate fruit salad flavours to make a satisfying beer. Main appeal would be to the teenage set	5.1	Lager
OK	Jun-Oct 2023			Yebisu Premium Lager 5% - Brewed in Sapporo and imported by Coopers, a worthy contender for best lager label. Crisp, clean, fresh, with hoppy aroma and full malt bitterness mouthfeel. Would love to sample this on tap	5	Lager
OK	Jun-Oct 2023			Orion Breweries The Dark Lager 5% - nice caramel malt, touch of citrus, fresh, crisp, low bitterness. Tasted at Japanese restaurant and may not be widely available here given the wealth of competition	5	Lager (Dark)

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OK	Jun-Oct 2023			Small and Freeman Unlabelled Rice Lager 5.3% 21 IBU - Crisp, clean, Pilsner style with ripe apricot, lemon and orange, subtle malt backbone that lingers long on the palate. Mid-bitterness and very light colour (4.7 EBC). Quite a sophisticated offering from these part-time brewers. Just the right refresher for summer	5.3	Lager (Rice)
OK	Jul-Aug 2022			Molly Rose Radler Lime & Jalapeño Lager 2.8% - lime upfront, ginger and a spicy heat that lingers at the back. Clean and fresh and an excellent light beer alternative.	2.8	Lager/Low Alc.
OK	Jul-Aug 2022			Molly Rose Radler Very Mandarin Lager 2.8% - the warning on the side of the can gives a clue 'Contains mandarin'. That's about it for this lager, although it's refreshing and a good summer outdoors option	2.8	Lager/Low Alc.
OK	Sep 18-Mar 19			2 Brothers Kung Foo Lager 4.5% Low Gluten - clean, crisp and reasonable taste for a GF beer	4.5	Lager/Low Gluten
OK	Jul-Dec 2020			Carlton Zero 0% - tastes very similar to a Carlton Draught. Not my preference but a great choice if it has to be zero alcohol	0	Lager/Zero Alc.
OK	Nov 19-Jun 20			Heineken 0.0 Beer 0% - quite similar to an alcoholic Heineken, a reasonable lager that stands on its own despite it also being zero alcohol. Mighty fine achievement	0	Lager/Zero Alc.
OK	Oct-Dec 2021			Pirate Life Point Nine 0.9% - very low alcohol, low-mid bitterness, lemon, un-ripe peach, but, overall, not quite satisfying. Taste is very similar to Athletic Brewing's Run Wild 0.5% IPA. Prefer Heineken 0.0 or Carlton Zero, although different styles, to these.	0.9	Low Alc.
OK	Jul-Aug 2022			Pirate Life Point Nine Ale 0.9% - a low alcohol beverage that just misses the mark. Dry, wheaty, not much body, hot ginger, bitterness out of balance. Reviewed previously and am a bit more sympathetic to it this time	0.9	Low Alc.
OK	Oct-Dec 2021		159	Bodriggy Cosmic Microwave NEIPA 6.2% - firm mouthfeel with orange rind, citrus, burnt toffee, pepper and a lingering, rounded bitterness lift. Another goodun' from the Abbotsford team	6.2	NEIPA
OK	Jul-Dec 2020			Bonehead Brewing Phaze Out NEIPA 6.5% - Stone fruit overlaid with toasty, malty grapefruit peel bitterness. Good acid. An autumn or early spring thirst quencher	6.5	NEIPA
OK	Apr-May 2023	78	38	Dainton Blood Orange NEIPA 6% 29 IBU - orange and just a touch of blood orange, lemon/citrus, white pepper, subtle malt underneath, mid-bitterness, fresh and crisp. Good summer refresher	6	NEIPA
OK	Jan-Jun 2021	49	27	Feral Biggie Juice NEIPA 6% - citrus, grapefruit, orange rind, nice acid and bitterness, cloudy/pale straw evokes a Pale look, but taste is IPA; very ok	6	NEIPA
OK	Apr-Oct 2019			Hop Nation The Dawn NEIPA 9% - lip smacking, citrus, passionfruit hint, long finish - easy to forget it's 9%	9	NEIPA
OK	Mar-Jun 2022			Killer Sprocket NEIPA 5.8% 50 IBU (tap) - tropical, spice, hazy, blood orange, bitterness and fruit in nice harmony	5.8	NEIPA
OK	Jan-Jun 2021			Nice Guys NEIPA 4.8% (tap) - hazy, tropical fruit, passionfruit, blood orange, stewed peach. A summer refresher	4.8	NEIPA
OK	Sep 18-Mar 19			Stockade Brew Co Mr Fruju NEIPA 6% 40 IBU - fruity, tropical, good mouthfeel	5	NEIPA
OK	Jan-Jun 2021			Thunder Road Hopmania Hazy Juicy NEIPA 5.5% - juicy orange, grapefruit, honey and nectar, fresh bitterness, lingering finish	5.5	NEIPA
OK	Sep 18-Mar 19			3 Ravens Tropical Pale Ale 4.2% 20 IBU - lemon, melon, mango, dry, sessionable, fresh and ok	4.2	Pale
No	Sep 18-Mar 19			Adnams Ghost Ship Pale Ale 4.5% - unpleasant bitterness possibly due to it being close to Best Before date - another Dan's Members Special (watch the BB dates for these)	4.5	Pale
OK	Jan-Jun 2021		173	Atomic Pale Ale 4.7% 30 IBU - crisp citrus (grapefruit, lemon, lime) and tropical fruit, mid bitterness, clean finish	4.7	Pale
OK	Apr-Oct 2019			Bad Shepherd Victoria Pale Ale 4.2% 25 IBU - spicy, grapefruit/orange, slightly bitter, nice acid, good length. Maybe lacking a little zing and so just an ok result from the Bad Shepherd crew	4.2	Pale
OK	Jan-Feb 2022	44	63	Balter Captain Sensible (Pale Ale) 3.5% - pine, citrus, tropical, mid bitterness, caramel/burnt toffee, restrained malt. Value flavour for a Session style	3.5	Pale
OK	Jan-Mar 2023			Beerfarm Pale 4.7% - lemon, orange, white pepper dominate, moderately bitter and malty, clean and easy drinking	4.7	Pale
OK	Nov 19-Jun 20	24	12	BentSpoke Barley Griffin Canberra Pale Ale 4.2% - sessionable Pale, low-mid bitterness, some grapefruit and not a whole lot else, no faults	4.2	Pale

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OK	Jan-Jun 2021			Billson's Small Batch Pale Ale 5.2% - dark colour (curiously), citrus (orange zest and grapefruit), full, round mouthfeel, toffee and dark chocolate on the back palate which lingers pleasantly - a well-crafted ale	5.2	Pale
OK	Jan-Jun 2021		61	Black Hops Brewery Pale Ale 4.8% - malt, hops, walnut, chocolate, orange/lemon, zest. A cut above average for its bitterness balance	4.8	Pale
OK	Jul-Aug 2022		117	Blackman's Ernie Tropical Haze 5% - another good'un from the Coast. Hazy with spice, tropical fruits, melon and lemon, lip-smacking bitterness nicely balanced by the fruit package	5.0	Pale
OK	Sep 18-Mar 19			Blackman's Mervyn Pale Ale 4.6% - tropical fruits, nice acid finish	4.6	Pale
OK	Jan-Feb 2022		169	Blackman's Mervyn Pale Ale 4.6% (re-tasting) - pine, orange, tropical, restrained bitterness. Lip-smacking and moorish. Excellent Pale from down the Victorian West Coast	4.6	Pale
OK	Mar-Jun 2022			Blue Moon Moon Haze Pale 5.7% 30 IBU (tap) - served with a slice of orange, cloudy deep orange colour, touch of seltzer, rounded bitterness with semi-sour finish. Interesting	5.7	Pale
OK	Oct-Dec 2021		85	Bodriggy Utopia Pale Ale 4.8% - more towards the ale spectrum, citrus, fresh, and clean in the mouth, latent bitterness	4.8	Pale
OK	Jun-Oct 2023			Braeside Brewing Governor Pale Ale 4.8% - The 440ml can helpfully notes 'Pale, Vienna, Crystal, Rye, Mosaic'. Malty, creamy, mandarin, lemon/lime, nectarine and peach, passionfruit, integrated firm bitterness, dry finish. Not the typical Pale/Hop profile but still 'more-ish'	4.8	Pale
OK	Apr-May 2023			Brewdog Hop Fiction Hazy Pale Ale 4% - orange zest, tropical, plum skin tartness, hop bitterness, malt undertone, sweetness and crispness compete	4	Pale
OK	Oct-Dec 2021			Brewmanity Beer Co. Social Beast Pale Ale 4.5% IBU 23 - tropical, malt, mid-bitterness, pepper spice and sessionable	4.5	Pale
No	Jul-Dec 2020			Brick Lane Brewing (Liquorland) Tinnies Pale Ale 4.9% - more a Lager style and not a lot of distinguishing features. Not unpleasant, just nondescript. Some malt and a little floral (violet). Can't believe it won an international award as they claim	4.9	Pale
OK	Oct-Dec 2021	28	22	Brick Lane One Love Pale Ale 4.4% - orange and peach, low-mid bitterness, wet but not much else to distinguish it - don't rush to try it	4.4	Pale
OK	Mar-Jun 2022		148	Brick Lane Sidewinder Hazy Pale Ale 1.1% - tropical, orange, hazy, malt, low/mid-bitterness. Great effort in the ultra low alcohol style	1.1	Pale
OK	Apr-Oct 2019	9	14	Bridge Road Brewers Beechworth Pale Ale 4.8% - passionfruit and citrus, mid malt and bitterness. Good with food	4.8	Pale
No	Jul-Sep 2021	9	14	Bridge Road Brewers Beechworth Pale Ale 4.8% - something not right here. Not old stock so not able to explain. Just an unpleasant matchstick taste. Have reviewed favourably previously but must record this negative tasting (Aug 2021)	4.8	Pale
OK	Mar-Jun 2022			CBCo (Colonial) Hazy Pale Ale 4.8% - hazy, citrus (orange, lemon, grapefruit), good mid bitterness backbone, balanced malts, pleasant all round finish. Good	4.8	Pale
OK	Sep 18-Mar 19	41	52	CBCo (Colonial) Pale Ale 4.4% - tropical fruits, touch blood orange, lingering finish, good	4.4	Pale
OK	Sep 18-Mar 19			CBCo (Colonial) Small Beer Session Pale Ale 3.5% - reasonable flavour for a mid-strength, v. sessionable	3.5	Pale
OK	Nov-Dec 2022			CoConspirators Brewing The Hop Peddler Hazy Pale Ale 4.5% - lemon citrus, grapefruit, mandarin, spice and white pepper, crisp acid with light malt touch to finish - smack those lips	4.5	Pale
OK	Apr-May 2023			Co-Conspirators The Snitch Pale Ale 4.5% - orange, apricot, honey, pepper spice, warming caramelmalt, lip smacking and crisp. Impressive lists of hops - Cashmere, Amarillo, Simcie, Idaho 7 & Azacca - and malts - Pale, Carapils & Vienna. Pleasant, both cold and warmer	4.5	Pale
OK	Jan-Mar 2023			Crony (Pinnacle Drinks) Refreshing Pale Ale 4.4% - citrus, pepper spice, crisp. Not the most complex and brewed possibly for the mainstream/non-craft set. 4 cans for \$11 at BWS (and not old stock) the main attraction, so well worth it	4.4	Pale
OK	Apr-May 2023			Deeds Brewing Half Time Pale Ale 3.5% - citrus - lemon, orange dominate - crisp, fresh, clean, nicely hopped, mid bitterness. Full flavour from a mid-strength	3.5	Pale
OK	Nov 19-Jun 20		188	Deeds Double Time DDH Pale Ale 4.6% - orange rind, marmalade, lemon citrus, mid bitterness, pine finish with lip snacking acid - nice	4.6	Pale

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OK	Oct-Dec 2021			Endeavour Brewing Rock Star Pale Ale - tropical fruit with nice bitterness overlay of lemon rind and grapefruit , fresh, crisp and clean - lives up to its name	4.5	Pale
OK	Sep 18-Mar 19			Fat Yak Pale Ale 4.7% - been around for a long time, attesting to its popularity. A simpler style with a bitter-sweet fruit/guava mouthfeel.	4.7	Pale
OK	Sep 18-Mar 19		153	Feral Hop Hog Pale Ale 5.8% - malt and hops, bitter with a glint of citrus, good beer (not sessionable)	5.8	Pale
OK	Nov 19-Jun 20			Forrest Brewing Pale Ale 500ml 4.8% - caramel malt, crisp, dry and flinty mineral. Very well put together Pale for the serious drinker	4.8	Pale
OK	Nov-Dec 2022			Fox Friday Pale Ale 5% - very pale colour, crisp acid, fresh rockmelon/cantaloupe, orange, lemon/lime, hoppy, low malt, good summer refresher	5.0	Pale
OK	Nov 19-Jun 20			Gage Roads Atomic Beer Project Pale Ale 4.7% 30 IBU - caramel, pine, reasonable acid, but harsh on the mid-back palate and maybe a bit skunky. Is it old? BB date rubs off merely touching the bottle. A Dan's and this has happened before	4.7	Pale
OK	Mar-Jun 2022			Garage Project Golden Path Hazy Pale Ale 4% - 2nd review. Label on Royston tap IPA, lemon, orange, touch tropical, hazy, bordering on a sour but for the malt backbone. Sessionable	4.0	Pale
OK	Sep-Oct 2022			Golden Pipes Brewing Auguste's Underground Hazy Pale Ale 5% - citrus, nut kernel, good, round mouthfeel, hop flavour forward	5.0	Pale
OK	Mar-Jun 2022			Golden Pipes Brewing Auguste's Underground Pale Ale 5% - lemon, grapefruit with a sweet orange touch, apple, melon, gripping mouthfeel	5.0	Pale
OK	Jan-Feb 2022			Grand Ridge Pale Ale 4.7% - malt and bitterness, caramel and coffee with marmalade. A bit of back palate, old beer finish about it however. Tasted Feb 22 but BB date on side of can Nov 23 - curious? Purchased in a mixed Dan's pack	4.7	Pale
OK	Sep 18-Mar 19			Grand Ridge Pale Ale 4.7% 30 IBU - malty, spice, orange zest and moderately bitter. Not sure that I'm a fan, but there's a bit going on	4.7	Pale
OK	Jul-Sep 2021			Hargreaves Hill Hoppy Pale Ale 4.9% 30 IBU - pale/cloudy appearance, fresh, citrus, moderate bitterness, clean finish	4.9	Pale
OK	Oct-Dec 2021			Hawkers Pale Ale 4.8% - citrus (orange, lemon), pine, fresh and crisp, modest bitterness, easy drinking but with character	4.8	Pale
OK	Jun-Oct 2023			Hemingway's Brewery Pitchfork Betty's Pale 5.1% (tap) - Malt and bitterness at the back with honeydew melon, orange peel and grapefruit filling the mouth. North Queensland crafted - for the more serious palate I expect	5.1	Pale
OK	Sep 18-Mar 19			Hobo Brewing Expedition Pale Ale 4.2% 35 IBU - bone dry, nut and orange notes, a beer for when you want no nonsense	4.2	Pale
OK	Jan-Feb 2022			Hobo Brewing Pale Ale 4.2% - nutty, citrus (orange) zest, subtle smoke/tar, malt, agreeable bitterness. All in all, good	4.2	Pale
OK	Sep 18-Mar 19		162	Hop Nation Brewing The Heart American Pale Ale 4.6% - citrus with dry finish, mid bitterness style, pretty fair	4.6	Pale
OK	Apr-May 2023			Hop Nation Melbourne Fog Hazy Pale 4.8% - caramel, honey, light malt, white pepper, orange/peel, slightly lifted floral aroma and pleasant in the mouth. An all-season quencher	4.8	Pale
OK	Sep 18-Mar 19			James Squire One Fifty Lashes Pale Ale 4.2% - easy drinking, fruity and sessionable but better on tap	4.2	Pale
OK	Jun-Oct 2023	104		Jetty Road Pale Ale 4.8% - Orange, mango, pineapple, crisp, clean, white pepper complementing the bitterness. The can label notes late hop additions of Mosaic and Simcoe. And sessionable - agree	4.8	Pale
OK	Mar-Jun 2022			Jetty Road The Haze Hazy Pale Ale 4.6% - hazy it most definitely is, lemon, blood orange, grapefruit, pear, green apple, peach, zest, acid and mid-bitter finish. Refreshing, good	4.6	Pale
OK	Nov-Dec 2022			Kaiju Beer Pleasure Kruze Hazy Pale Ale 4.8% - passionfruit and tropical fruit, orange zest, crisp, clean acid. Great expression of the Hazy Pale style	4.8	Pale
OK	Jun-Oct 2023	47	7	Kaiju Krush Tropical Pale 4.7% 25 IBU - Featuring a range of US and Aust hops, tropical flavours (melon, pineapple, citrus, yellow peach) abound. Support from a mid-malt and bitterness undercarriage provides a satisfying crisp, clean thirst quencher	4.7	Pale
OK	Jan-Jun 2021			Kona Brewing Fire Rock Pale Ale (USA) 5.9% - tangerine, burnt honey, grapefruit. Broad, round mouthfeel with lingering flavours. A darker colour Pale with a touch of difference	5.9	Pale

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OK	Jan-Feb 2022	62	126	Kosciuszko (Lion) Pale Ale 4.5% - malt, honey, restrained orange rind and grapefruit bitterness. Interesting for not being over the top in the current Pale flavours, and the more enjoyable for this	4.5	Pale
OK	Apr-Oct 2019			La Sirène Farmhouse Style Urban Pale 5.2% - restrained sweetness, orange peel and lemon, nice acid finish, very sessionable	5.2	Pale
OK	Jan-Jun 2021			La Sirène Urban Pale Ale 5.2% - cloudy pale straw colour, orange, grapefruit and lemon, low bitterness and quite sessionable	5.2	Pale
OK	Apr-May 2023			La Sirène Urban Pale Ale 5.2% (tap) - see earlier review, add smokiness to the tap version	5.2	Pale
OK	Jan-Feb 2022			Lorry Boys Pale Ale 4.2% - firm malt backbone, spice, white pepper, orange/mandarine, mid-bitterness. Not sure if it qualifies for 'craft' with Liquorland ownership, but good value given its budget price	4.2	Pale
OK	Jul-Dec 2020			Mismatch Brewing Pale Ale 5% - lemon, grapefruit and stone fruit. The hops and malt deliver a nice bitterness with satisfying mouthfeel	5	Pale
No	Sep 18-Mar 19			Monteith's Pointers Pale Ale 4.2% - should have remembered the caveat for Dan's specials. Not old, but average, with a somewhat unpleasant, sharp finish	4.2	Pale
OK	Apr-Oct 2019			Moo Brew Pale Ale 4.9% - quite bitter for an American Pale Ale style, lemon rind, malt, not much else flavour wise. Ok just	4.9	Pale
OK	Jul-Dec 2020	65	24	Moon Dog Old Mate Pale Ale 5% - easy drinking style, good mouthfeel, low bitterness, tropical fruit (melon, peach) and good hop feel	5	Pale
OK	Jul-Aug 2022			Mornington Peninsula Bay Haze Hazy Pale Ale 4.9% (tap) - generic Hazy Pale, refreshing, mid bitterness, citrus and ok flavour	4.9	Pale
OK	Mar-Jun 2022			Mornington Peninsula Pale 4.7% (375ml can) - burnt toffee, malt, orange, citrus and passionfruit. Fresh bitterness with a rounded crisp finish	4.7	Pale
OK	Jan-Jun 2021			Mornington Peninsula Pale 5% (330ml can) - citrus, passionfruit, crisp, fresh, low malt and mid-bitterness that lingers pleasantly in the mouth. Easy to smash down a few	4.7	Pale
OK	Apr-May 2023	1		Mountain Culture Limited Release Status Quo Hazy Pale (tap) 5.2% - hazy, pineapple, orange, honey, lemon/lime, crisp, clean. V. Good	5.2	Pale
OK	Jan-Mar 2023	1		Mountain Culture Status Quo Pale 5.2% - GABS 100 2022 winner, spice, white pepper, citrus - orange, lemon, grapefruit and lime - crisp, fresh zest, hoppy bitterness, finishes clean and long. Deserves to be well-regarded	5.0	Pale
OK	Jul-Dec 2020			Mountain Goat Hazy Pale Ale 4.6% - orange, lemon/grapefruit and yellow peach, moderate bitterness and acid. Different, moorish	4.6	Pale
OK	Mar-Jun 2022			New Dawn Brewing (Pinnacle Drinks) Pale Ale 4.5% - lemon citrus, orange, toffee apple, crisp acid, fresh. Low carb	4.5	Pale
OK	Nov-Dec 2022			New Dawn Brewing (Pinnacle Drinks) Pale Ale 4.5% (re-tasted) - mid-bitterness, pine, white peach, lemon/lime with a hint of orange and malt at the finish	4.5	Pale
OK	Sep 18-Mar 19			Nomad Brewing Beach House Pale 5% - refreshing, lemon/citrus, floral, mildly sour, ok but not for everyone	5	Pale
OK	Nov-Dec 2022			Noodleoof Brewery Australian Pale Ale 4.6% - citrus and tropical, peach, mid bitterness, refreshing, ok	4.6	Pale
OK	Jan-Mar 2023			Ocean Reach Brewing Pale 5% - orange, grapefruit, passionfruit, tamarillo sweet bitterness, perfume and pear, lively spritz and white pepper lift, enjoyable	5.0	Pale
OK	Apr-May 2023			Ocean Reach Brewing Pale Ale 5% - apricot and orange upfront, caramel malt, mid bitterness, lingering warm, round mouthfeel	5	Pale
OK	Sep-Oct 2022			Palling Bros Brewery Heathcote Pale Ale 4.9% - lemon, lime, taut bitterness, lacking somewhat in much flavour	4.9	Pale
OK	Sep-Oct 2022			Palling Bros Brewery The Bailiff Pale Ale 4.9% - malt, orange, less bitterness than the Heathcote by this brewer, a bit average	4.9	Pale
OK	Mar-Jun 2022			Philter Hazy Pale Ale (tap) 5.3% - honey, orange (with a smidge of pith/rind), rose geranium, smooth, malt, bitterness integrates nicely in the flavours. Very good	5.3	Pale
OK	Mar-Jun 2022			Pirate Life California Pale Ale 5.8% - slight perfume lift, blood orange, citrus, stone fruit, peppermint tea, hoppy, pleasant grippy bitterness	5.8	Pale
OK	Jul-Dec 2020			Pirate Life Pale 5.4% 45 IBU - good bitterness overlaid with mild sweetness (dark honey and marmalade), hoppy and lip-smacking. Lovely brew	5.4	Pale
OK	Jul-Dec 2020	13	16	Pirate Life South Coast Pale Ale 4.4% - unmistakably a PL beer, mid-bitterness, passionfruit, orange rind, spice, white pepper. Easyish drinking style with backbone	4.4	Pale

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OK	Jun-Oct 2023			Prancing Pony Blaze of Haze Pale (tap) 4.8% IBU 29 – end of barrel tasting so maybe not at its best (very hazy). Straightforward taste profile - bitter, citrus, fills the mouth and lingers. For the serioys	4.8	Pale
OK	Sep 18-Mar 19			Prickly Moses Otway Pale Ale 4.9% – medium bitterness and malt, refreshing summer pale	4.9	Pale
OK	Sep-Oct 2022			Range Brewing Hazy Pale 5% (approx- Royston not sure) (tap) – lime, mandarin spritz, hoppy, very hazy, fresh and	5.0	Pale
OK	Mar-Jun 2022			Roaring Days Brewing Sez You Pale Ale 3.5% – another Aldi brew. Session lager style with flavours of orange, peach and grapefruit, some malt and low to mid bitterness. Not a fantastic Pale but a good option considering its throwaway price	3.5	Pale
OK	Apr-Oct 2019			Salt Brewing Moby Pale Ale 5.1% – nice mouthfeel, rounded fruit freshness gives an easy drink Pale	5.1	Pale
OK	Sep 18-Mar 19			Salt Brewing Rogue Wave Kook Blood Orange Pale Ale 4.8% – reasonable Pale, eponymous citrus profile that might be overdone for some	4.8	Pale
No	Sep 18-Mar 19			Sample Brew Batch No. 1 Pale 4.7% 35 IBU – average	4.7	Pale
OK	Jan-Feb 2022			Sauce Brewing Caribbean Fog Hazy Pale Ale 4.6% – citrus/orange, tropical, white pepper followed by a lingering bitterness around the fruit flavours. Yeah, good	4.6	Pale
OK	Jan-Mar 2023			Sierra Nevada Pale Ale 5% – grapefruit, orange zest, pine, lovely bitter undercarriage with malted notes overlaying. A 40 year old classic still tempting tastebuds	5.0	Pale
OK	Jan-Mar 2023			Sierra Nevada Pale Ale 5% – pine, citrus – lemon, orange and grapefruit rind – mid-bitterness, pepper, clean. An original classic	5.0	Pale
OK	Sep 18-Mar 19	54	36	Stomping Ground Gipps St Pale Ale (Collingwood) 5.2% – good citrus, melon, acid, flavoursome	5.2	Pale
OK	Apr-Oct 2019			Stone Brewing Ripper San Diego Pale Ale 5.7% – grapefruit, passionfruit, good acid, a bitterness verging on that of an IPA; ok again from these guys	5.7	Pale
OK	Jan-Feb 2022			Temple Brewing Anytime Pale Ale 4.7% – pine, resin, caramel, molasses, grapefruit rind, mandarine, caramelised toffee. Satisfying brew for the serious drinker	4.7	Pale
OK	Jun-Oct 2023			Tinnies by Moon Dog Yuzu Pale 5.5% – Think orange juice on alcoholic steroids. The can says made with real OJ, zesty, refreshing and dry hopped (and has pics of oranges too). Yep, I guess it is – would be pretty right on a hot summer's day around a Barbie.	5.5	Pale
OK	Sep-Oct 2022			Tinnies Hazy Pale Ale 4.9% – not especially much to distinguish it other than a good price. Some zesty orange, a little malt and modest bitterness. Ok but no rush	4.9	Pale
OK	Jan-Feb 2022			Tribe Brewery Hughie Send It Down Aussie Pale Lager 4.4% – a lager rather than a Pale, low bitterness (not much at all), fresh, crisp, a little orange, white pepper and eucalypt. Easy drinking, but adds interest if straight lager too boring for you	4.4	Pale
OK	Jun-Oct 2023	109		Wolf of the Willows PUP Hazy Pale 4% – Crisp, fresh, lemon/orange citrus spritz, white peach, round mouth filling mid-bitterness settles in the mouth leaving a satisfying memory uncharacteristic of a typical session ale	4	Pale
OK	Nov-Dec 2022	7	10	Young Henrys Newtowner Australian Pale Ale 4.8% – bought on special at BWS, I may have been too harsh in my earlier review below. It actually fills the mouth with malt, blood orange, grapefruit, dark chocolate, crisp mid bitterness. Good. Probably why it finished 10 in GABS. The can BB date was 10 months hence and maybe it was old stock last time – best I can do in my defence	4.8	Pale
OK	Nov 19-Jun 20	7	10	Young Henry's Newtowner Australian Pale Ale 4.8% – no middle, lemon grapefruit citrus on the side of the palate, nothing auspicious, easy drinking style	4.8	Pale
OK	Apr-May 2023			Zytho Brewing Tropical Haze Pale 5% (Tribe/Pinnacle) – orange, lemon, lime, white peach, black pepper, cinnamon, not generous per se and missing a little in the middle/back	5	Pale
OK	Jan-Jun 2021			Zytho Brewing Zesty Pale Ale 4.6% (Tribe Brewing crafted/canned for Pinnacle Drinks) – nice acid, flinty, bone dry, lemon zest and grapefruit, passionfruit, mid bitterness, sessionable	4.6	Pale
OK	Sep 18-Mar 19			Koala Beer P/L Wilde Gluten Free Pale Ale 4.5% – body, slightly aromatic, nice bitterness, around the middle of the pack for craft beers, but OK especially if choice is limited	4.5	Pale/GF

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OK	Sep 18-Mar19			Wilde GF Pale Ale 4.5% - see Koala Beer	4.5	Pale/GF
OK	Oct-Dec 2021			Urban Alley Brewery Slapshot Aussie Pale Ale 4.5% - citrus (orange), pineapple, mango, passionfruit (all as the can notes), mid bitterness, hazy pale. Biggest surprise - low gluten (< 10ppM)! A great tasting GF beer finally. Came in an Aldi Xmas pack - Bless Aldi, Bless Urban Alley	4.5	Pale/Low Gluten
OK	Sep-Oct 2022			Fox Friday Whip It Good Pils 5.5% (tap) - close to a lager, honey, burnt toffee, citrus (orange), malty, crisp	5.5	Pilsner
OK	Apr-May 2023			La Sirène Natural Pilsner (Organic) 5.0% (tap)- Pilsner with a difference, higher bitterness, pepper, lemon and apricot nose follows through on palate,	5	Pilsner
OK	Jan-Jun 2021			Oettinger Pils (Germany) 4.7% - the brewer has been going nearly 300 years. Clearly a huge base of old-school beer heads around considering the array of craft & modern styles available that consign this to the history books. Think Heineken for style	4.7	Pilsner
OK	Sep-Oct 2022			Prentice Small Batch CCM Pils 5% - some malt (from fermentation), caramel, orange zest, grapefruit, great length in the bitterness, rounded by the citrus lift	5.0	Pilsner
OK	Apr-May 2023			Revel Brewing New World Pilsner 5% - orange, lime, apricot, pear, mid bitterness, low malt, cinnamon spice, clean and crisp, full mouthfeel. Good alternative to an Ale	5	Pilsner
OK	Jan-Jun 2021			Hope Brewery Gluten Free Pilsner 4.5% 20 IBU - a hazy, light colour that doesn't look quite right but bitterness is good, taste generally a bit funk with grapefruit zest predominant, and generally pretty ok for a GF beer	4.5	Pilsner/GF
OK	Sep 18-Mar 19			Bitburger Premium Pils 0% - yes, zero alcohol, taste equivalent to a number of the mass-produced Lion/Carlton beers (ho-hum) but ideal for hot sunny days when you're the designated driver	0	Pilsner/Zero Alc.
OK	Mar-Jun 2022		79	Bad Shepherd Peanut Butter Porter 6.4% - the name says it all, mellow, smooth, chocolate, hazelnut, sweet and PB (smooth, of course, on both the nose and the palate). Easy drinking but not all afternoon	6.4	Porter
OK	Nov-Dec 2022			Blackman's Arthur Smoked Porter 6% - bacon, smoke, coffee, molasses, roasted chestnut, malt, tobacco, creamy nut, lovely round mouthfeel and long finish. Very good	6.0	Porter
OK	Oct-Dec 2021			Grifter Brewing Demon Lungs Smoked Porter 5.8% - bacon, smoky, roasted malt, espresso coffee, with persistent finish that reinforces the smokiness	5.8	Porter
OK	Apr-Oct 2019			Knee Deep Brewing Imperial Tanilla CA 10% 48 IBU (26oz.) - the bottle label says 'Porter brewed with vanilla beans'. Sweet at the front, sarsaparilla and dark toffee in the middle, vanilla bean lingers. Not entirely to my taste, but true to what it claims	10	Porter/Stout
OK	Jan-Mar 2023			Bonehead Brewing Revered Red Ale 4.7% (tap) - malt, toffee, sarsaparilla, orange, crisp, dark nut, liquorice, complex - good red	4.7	Red Ale
OK	Nov-Dec 2022			Bonehead Revered Red Ale 4.7% - hand pumped, flatter English ale style, honey, malt, mid bitterness, ok but not more than that (maybe I don't appreciate the English style?)	4.7	Red Ale
OK	Jan-Jun 2021			Brick Lane Red Hoppy Ale 5.3% - caramel malt, eponymous ale characteristics, apricot and orange marmalade, pleasant round mouthfeel	5.3	Red Ale
OK	Nov 19-Jun 20			Forrest Brewing Irish Red 3.5% - the name refers more to the colour than anything else. A mid-strength beer with a little more flavour and more bitterness than the norm for this style. As such, it's ok	3.5	Red Ale
OK	Mar-Jun 2022			Hop Nation The Buzz Red Ale 6% (tap) - Vegemite off the bat, roasted caramel, dark honey, malt, coffee, fills the sides of the mouth but less on the back, meatyish. Needs a serious commitment to stay with it if that's your style	6.0	Red Ale
OK	Jan-Jun 2021			Kaiju Betelgeuse Double Red Ale 10% - bitter beast, caramelised toffee apple, orange rind and marmalade. Dark brick red colour and warmth attest to the high alcohol	10	Red Ale
OK	Sep 18-Mar 19			Prickly Moses Red Ale 5% - a good Red with malt and burnt toffee forward and sweet citrus at the back, good summer/autumn drop	5	Red Ale

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OK	Jan-Mar 2023			Robe Town Brewery Lord's Dangerous Red Ale 7.5% - deep reddish brown, orange, honey, malt, warming port-like finish at the back palate that finishes long given the alcohol content	7.5	Red Ale
OK	Oct-Dec 2021			Molly Rose Baroness Hoppy Red Lager 5.2% - hoppy, burnt orange/blood orange, malt, crisp, dark toffee	5.2	Red Lager
No (with reservations)	Jan-Mar 2023			3 Fonteinens Framboose Oogst 2018 Saison 6.3% - tasted Jan 2023, an overall tomato/vegetable juice impression with a barnyard pong, yet manufacturer says drink till 2039. Hard to know whether to like or loathe this. There's something to be said for the effort of the brewers, but it won't be to everyone's taste. A gift, and probably expensive - a step too far perhaps, however	6.3	Saison
OK	Jan-Mar 2023			Coedo Sayama Green Tea Saison 5% (tap) - served in a wine glass demanding nosing that confirms green tea. Follows through on the palate but add pleasant round mild malt flavour, banana just held in check (as you'd want), resin, pine nut, mid-bitterness, tannin a plenty. Sophisticated with just some slight reservations	5.0	Saison
OK	Apr-May 2023			La Sirène Wild Saison 6.5% (tap) - farmhouse nose, honey, marzipan, tart, warming, lip smacking saison	6.5	Saison
OK	Jan-Jun 2021			Fellr Lime & Soda Brewed Alcoholic Seltzer 4% - fruity, summer drink with little evidence of any alcoholic content apparent. Fizzy (goes flat quickly) and flavour of lemonade. Refreshing, but not a serious beer	4	Seltzer
OK	Jul-Sep 2021			Mountain Goat Session SIPA 4.4% - similar to a Goat Pale in flavour, lemon rind spritz a slight difference. Lower alcohol doesn't diminish the flavour and mouthfeel. Good session option	4.4	Session IPA
OK	Jan-Jun 2021			Sierra Nevada Hazy Little Thing IPA Session Edition 4.6% - lemon, grapefruit, orange hint, crisp, clean, mid-bitterness. Good addition to the session IPA genre	4.6	Session IPA
OK	Apr-Oct 2019			Anderson Valley Brewing Boonville CA Horse Tongue Slightly Sour Barrel Aged Wheat Beer 5.4% - eponymous sour, fresh, crisp, lemon/lime and orange. Nice expression of the sour genre	5.4	Sour
OK	Nov 19-Jun 20			Bad Shepherd Passionfruit Sour 4% - like a tart passionfruit pie, with sweet and sour in happy conjunction, the acidic flavours deliver a lip-smacking freshness to this well-made summer thirst quencher. A v. good example of the genre	4	Sour
OK	Nov 19-Jun 20			Beatnik Kiwi Sour 4% - kiwi fruit sour with nice dry balance, good summer refresher	4	Sour
OK	Apr-Oct 2019			Beerfarm Pineapple Sour 4.2% - reasonable balance between sour and pineapple. A lighter alternative that will appeal to some	4.2	Sour
OK	Jan-Feb 2022			Brick Lane Someday Blood Orange Sour 4.2% - an orange sour that isn't so ... sour. Plenty of orange, pleasant acid lip-smacking grip, but not much else, but that's ok - mouth refreshing	4.2	Sour
OK	Jun-Oct 2023			Brooklyn Bel Air Dry Hopped Sour 4.5% - lemon and lemon, a bit of grapefruit, but a reasonable starter. Sessionable and all the right lip smacking characters	4.5	Sour
OK	Apr-May 2023			Brouhaha New Farm Pear Sour 4.2% - brewed with yoghurt, ginger, pear. A gentle sour with a lot of upfront lemon, pear and ginger spice - who'd have thought? Just right for a summer afternoon	4.2	Sour
OK	Jan-Jun 2021			Garage Project Electric Dry Hop Acid Test 4.2% - sour with lemon and grapefruit, good acid and lightly spicy, cleansing finish. Refreshing summer drink	4.2	Sour
OK	Apr-May 2023			Hawkers Gratuitous Flare Citra Dry-Hopped Yuzu & Pear Sour 7.2% - who said Sours can't pack an alcoholic punch. Pear, orange (what's Yuzu?), low malt, mid hopped, sweet fruit at the front, sour underneath/at back. Clever. Served cold, a great refresher (take care caution noted for the alc.)	7.2	Sour
OK	Jul-Dec 2020			La Sirène Barrel No. 142 7.2% - a sour with generous barnyard characters, balanced yeast flavours of straw, earth, pine and eucalypt, finishing with lemon and orange zest. Crafted by experts	7.2	Sour
OK	Apr-May 2023			La Sirène Bière de Cerise Wild Cherry Sour Solera 5.6% (tap)- complex nose, Brett, VA, lemon, cherry, more weight than the typical sour, winey mouthfeel. Cleverly constructed and unexpected	5.6	Sour
OK	Sep 18-Mar 19			La Sirène Citray Sour 4.5% - great example of sours and something of a standard of the genre	4.5	Sour

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OK	Apr-May 2023			La Sirène Farmhouse Red Sour Ale 5.5% (tap) - funk on nose, red fruits and red currant, spice/pepper, something akin to a thin cordial, easy drinking thirst quencher	5.5	Sour
OK	Apr-May 2023			Moon Dog Pat Pash Passionfruit Sour Ale 4.5% 7 IBU - passionfruit and pineapple nose, passionfruit at the front with a lemon tartness quickly following at the middle and back. Fresh and fruity and has a lot of appeal as a warm weather refresher	4.5	Sour
OK	Nov 19-Jun 20			One Drop Brewing Dark Cherry Imperial Sour 7.5% 440ml - cherry and more but sweet and sour at once, neither dominating, nice crimson red colour too. One of the great sours but easy to throw down (watch the alcohol)	7.5	Sour
OK	Oct-Dec 2021			Wolf Of The Willows Tropical Pacific Sour 4.1% - orange, tropical, mango, passionfruit, nice bitterness lift, finishes clean	4.1	Sour
OK	Apr-Oct 2019			Woolshed Brewery The Big Orange Kettle Sour 4.1% - think Fanta on the front palate but settles down with a rounded sour bitterness in the mouth. Not especially sour, but the citrus spritz reminds a bit much of a soft drink. OK for some for summer, however	4.1	Sour
OK	Nov-Dec 2022			Black Arts Table Beer Farmhouse Ale 3.5% - gentle Farmhouse Ale, even by Sour standards, almost pink hue, lifted spice and lemon/orange, apricot, ash at the back as the fruit subsides, easy drinking	3.5	Sour/Farmhouse
OK	Sep-Oct 2022			Halia Belgian Style Farmhouse Ale 2016 7.5% - 6 years old when consumed but fresh as you'd want. Initial barnyard pong and aldehyde mellows to a pleasant drinking sour. Lemon, honey dew melon, gose style, not too carbonated (age-related probably)	7.5	Sour/Farmhouse
OK	Jul-Dec 2020			Molly Rose When Life Gives You Lemons Farmhouse Ale 4.2% - this is all about lemon and a refreshing drink for a warm day or evening. It's different and it's good for just that	4.2	Sour/Farmhouse
OK	Jul-Dec 2020			Boatrocker Brewing Sunshine & Rainbows Table Beer (Saison/Sour) 3.4% (500ml) 12/2017 - citrus (lemon, lime, orange), sweeter than usual saison/sour, low Brett. Very sessionable	3.4	Sour/Saison
OK	Oct-Dec 2021			Sauce Brewing Peach Berliner Weiss 4% - pineapple, peach, tart/green apple, malt, barley, clean, crisp and fresh. Good session sour	4.0	Sour/Weiss
OK	Jan-Jun 2021			3 Ravens Oatmeal Stout 4.5% - dark chocolate, coffee, blackberry, clean, fresh with crisp acid and silky texture finish. A very good stout	4.5	Stout
OK	Mar-Jun 2022			Bad Shepherd Hazelnut Brown (2nd review) 5.6% - fresh batch at The Carringbush, might have been tweaked a little, hazelnut on the nose and palate (at least as pronounced as before), sweet, some mild roast coffee, lingers long and pleasant	5.6	Stout
OK	Apr-Oct 2019			Batch Brewing Tank 6 Imperial Stout 9.2% (640ml) - dark chocolate, toffee and coffee, lingering semi-sweet finish with lip smacking flavour. Nice	9.2	Stout
OK	Nov 19-Jun 20			Exit Brewing Milk Stout 5.2% - vanilla, almond, ristretto and dark roast. Not particularly bitter, but smooth and creamy with a little sweetness. A very fine stout	5.2	Stout
OK	Nov 19-Jun 20			Forrest Brewing Stout 4.5% - malt, coffee, caramel, soft and mellow bitterness, lingers long in the mouth	4.5	Stout
OK	Jul-Sep 2021			Gage Roads Dawn Patrol Breakfast Stout 6% - the liner notes on the can were spot on; coffee, chocolate, rich malt, sweet and velvet mouthfeel, good bitterness. Lovely, really	6.0	Stout
OK	Sep 18-Mar19			Guinness Stout 4.3% (440ml can with widget) - for me the gold standard in black beers and how does one review 'Mothers milk' after all? As another pleasant St Pat's Day passes with a G or 3, Sláinte from me	4.3	Stout
OK	Sep 18-Mar 19			Hope Brewery Barrel-Aged Extra Stout 6.2% 50 IBU 200 EBC - extra good stout	6.2	Stout
OK	Jun-Oct 2023			Killer Sprocket Stout 5.8% (tap) - tarry malt, dark roast, caramel, top of palate residual warmth, good bitterness	5.8	Stout
No	Apr-May 2023			La Sirène Praline Chocolate Stout 5.8% (tap) - mocha, coffee, tarry leather, caramel, creamy, viscous mouthfeel, wonderful stout	5.8	Stout
OK	Apr-May 2023			La Sirène Praline du Framboise Choc. Raspberry Stout 5.8% (tap) - chocolate, coffee, caramel, malt, creamy,	5.8	Stout
OK	Nov 19-Jun 20			La Sirène Praline Stout 6% - dark chocolate, vanilla, smooth, nutty, coffee, mocha, creamy and velvety - so much happening and a wonderful stout	6	Stout
OK	Jul-Dec 2020			Molly Rose Nitro Persian Coffee Vegan Dessert Stout 5.2% - a real dessert stout that would go as well with a washed rind Brie or rhubarb and yoghurt. Coffee and rosewater, smooth and mellow. Delicious	5.2	Stout

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OK	Sep 18-Mar 19			Moon Dog Black Lung VIII Cognac Barrel Aged Smokey Stout (on tap) 8.1% 45 IBU - smokey, peat, complex, good alcohol, a good stout	8.1	Stout
OK	Sep-Oct 2022			Mountain Culture Kraftwerk Orange Imperial Stout 11.1% (tap) - blood orange, dark, brooding, malty, nutty, dark chocolate, coffee cream mélange. Needs commitment to stay the course. Might like it served a little warmer. Not the best but ok	11.1	Stout
OK	Mar-Jun 2022			Pirate Life Honeycomb Stout 6.5% - honey (nothing misleading there), milk chocolate, roasted chestnut, caramel, biscuit, orange, creamy with a full mouthfeel without a significant level of bitterness. Will appeal to non-stout drinkers wanting the right accompaniment for traditional stout food pairings	6.5	Stout
OK	Apr-Oct 2019			Six String Brewing Co. Celtic Fusion 5% 30 IBU - label on can says it is an 'Oatmeal Stout that has been infused with a cold extracted coffee blend.' Rich and creamy, with coffee and sweetness, it lingers long in the mouth. A good example of this style	5	Stout
OK	Jan-Jun 2021			Small and Freeman Home Brewing Co. Oatmeal Stout 5.7% IBU 35 - dark malt, mocha and chocolate with hints of lemon and pine and nice acid finish. Experimental brew that challenges the stout norm with a more refreshing, crisp taste	5.7	Stout
OK	Jul-Aug 2022			Tallboy & Moose Nitro Chaiger King Stout 5.9% - coffee, malt, chai, toffee, caramel, chocolate, honey, good stout	5.9	Stout
OK	Jul-Sep 2021			West City Brewing Oaty Stout 5% - coffee, toasted malt, chocolate, subtle lime and orange overlaid on the finish, easy drinking style	5.0	Stout
OK	Jun-Oct 2023			Zytho Brewing (Tribe/Pinnacle) Velvet Luxe Stout 6% - Velvet is a good descriptor for the creamy, smooth texture. Dark chocolate, coffee, burnt toffee, marshmallow, upper-mid bitterness, warm, round finish that lingers	6	Stout
OK	Mar-Jun 2022			Banks Brewing WCIPA 6.2% (tap) - hazy, orange lemon grapefruit, spritz, malt backbone, mid+ bitterness. Pretty fair	6.2	WCIPA
OK	Apr-May 2023			Big Shed Brewing Quantum Gravity Session WCIPA 4.5% - malt, spice, dark toffee, caramel, blood orange, a touch more than mid-bitterness, grassy steely residue at the back - related to the malt perhaps	4.5	WCIPA
OK	Jun-Oct 2023			Boatrocker Conehead WCIPA 6.2% - Marmalade, burnt orange, dark toffee, pine, grapefruit and nice bitterness	6.2	WCIPA
OK	Apr-May 2023	80	97	Capital Brewing Rock Hopper WCIPA 6.1% - malt, caramel, honey, mandarin, lovely bitterness, full, round mouthfeel that lingers. Why have I not tasted this brew before - looking f/w to more of the range by this brewer	6.1	WCIPA
OK	Jun-Oct 2023			Urban Alley Whirlwind WCIPA 7% Ultra Low Gluten - The can liner notes 'wonderfully dank and citrusy California Style IPA is hopped with Mosaic, Amarillo, Cascade, Columbus and the 2023 Pink Boots Blend'. About right, add honey, guava, yellow peach and pear to the taste descriptors and a firm bitterness	7	WCIPA
OK	Mar-Jun 2022			Wolf of the Willows Inner Vision III West Coast Hazy IPA - lemon and rind, marmalade, orange sweetness, spritz, lip snacking bitterness - good hazy	6.2	WCIPA
OK	Jan-Mar 2023			Fox Friday West Coast IPA 7% - comprises 5 malts, 4 hops and the popular US-05 yeast, all working together to give a malty, hop bitter, flint dry, creamy, smooth whole that is really satisfying and attests to great craftsmanship in its creation. Worth the extra cents for this quality and enjoyment	7.0	West Coast IPA
OK	Oct-Dec 2021			Small and Freeman Brewing Hefeweizen 4.6% IBU 13 - additional notes: yeast, banana, honey, rounded flavours with 12+ months ageing	4.6	Wheat Beer
OK	Jan-Jun 2021			Small and Freeman Brewing Hefeweizen 4.6% IBU 13 - wheat beer with rich ale colour, orange, lemon and peach, low bitterness and nice acid finish	4.6	Wheat Beer
OK	Apr-May 2023			La Sirène Cuvée de Muscat 2018 Wild Ale 6.2% (tap) - Citray Sour on steroids, wood barrel, lovely sour/acid, lactic acid, remember Warheads from your youth? Apparently an experiment - probably won't see it in a container	6.2	Wild Ale
OK	Apr-May 2023			La Sirène L'Apricot Wild Ale 5.0% (tap) - lemon and funk lifted nose, passionfruit, apricot (of course), spritz, sour, very intense,	5	Wild Ale
No	Apr-May 2023			La Sirène Passiflore Passion & Lime Hazy Wild Ale 3.0% (tap) - acetone gasoline nose, lime, bubblegum, lean. Misses the mark	3	Wild Ale
OK	Apr-May 2023			La Sirène Truth & Wisdom Spontaneous Wild Ale 6.5% (tap) - lavender nose, blood orange, lemon rind, tropical, sessionable quality, so a surprise ABV	6.5	Wild Ale

Opinion (or TBR)	Tasting Date Range	GABS 100 2022	GABS 200 2021	Tasting Notes	ABV %	Style
				Sorted alphabetically by Beer Style		
OK	Jan-Mar 2023			Robe Town Brewery White Light Witbier 6.7% - bottle label states it's the brewers take on the Belgian wheat beer style with hints of coriander and orange. 15 months in the bottle when tasted and this may have taken the edge off freshness, but didn't seem to affect flavour, perhaps with the healthy alc. level. Not over the top in the witbier style as many others and well made with wood fire smokiness	6.7	Witbier/ Wheat Beer
OK	Mar-Jun 2022	2	2	Balter XPA 5% 30 IBU - have consumed so much of this brew but somehow forgot to review. It's such a popular beer because it is very good. Citrus (grapefruit, blood orange dominant, lemon), white pepper, spice, low malt, caramel, nice integrated mid-bitterness in a full round mouthfeel. Very satisfying and refreshing	5.0	XPA
OK	Jun-Oct 2023			Brewmanity Slider Extra Crisp Cold XPA 4.7% - Interesting juxtaposition of lager and ale styles. Clean and crisp like the former, add lemon rind and lime bitterness for the latter. Nice collaboration with Fight MND gives \$5 for each 6-pack	4.7	XPA
OK	Apr-May 2023	12	7	Capital Brewing XPA 5% - ginger spice, orange/rind, lemon peel, mango, malt, round bitterness, pretty easy drinking style	5	XPA
OK	Jan-Mar 2023			Great Ocean Road XPA 4.8% - pepper, spice, burnt orange, tar, fennel, cumin, hoppy. Some uncommon characters, but different can be ok	4.8	XPA
OK	Sep 18-Mar 19			Holgate Alpha Crucis XPA 5.5% 30 IBU - moderate bitterness that tends to dominate citrus flavours - not among my first choices, but not the worst either	5.5	XPA
OK	Apr-May 2023			Local Brewing Local XPA 5% (tap) - lemon/orange, passionfruit, pepper spice, crisp, mid-bitterness, summer thirst-slaker	5	XPA
OK	Jun-Oct 2023			Macalister XPA 5.3% (tap) - Nut, malt, burnt honey and dark roast dominant; not your usual XPA. Half the glass from the previous barrel may have contributed. The odd expression requires another sampling, but might not get the chance as I pass through the far north given the paucity of craft beers on offer	5.3	XPA
OK	Sep-Oct 2022			Mill Brewery Rest Easy XPA 5% (tap) - citrus (orange predominately, lemon), zesty, malt touch, pine resin, mid-length	5.0	XPA
No	Sep 18-Mar 19			Monteith's Railroad Crossing XPA 4.8% - old stock from Dan's bought as Members Special (expired by 4.5 mths!), hard to judge, citrusy	4.8	XPA
OK	Jan-Feb 2022			Moon Dog Goin' Steady XPA 3.5% - tropical, spice, white pepper, melon, orange, apricot. Good summer afternoon session treat	3.5	XPA
OK	Apr-May 2023			Mornington Peninsula XPA 4.9% - piney, woody, lemon, white peach, pepper, low/mid-bitterness, low malt. Sip on the sand by the ocean	4.9	XPA
OK	Oct-Dec 2021			Panhead Quickchange XPA 4.6% - mango, blood orange, guava, mid-bitterness, overlaid on lightly malted base	4.6	XPA
OK	Sep 18-Mar 19			ParrotDog Rifleman XPA 4.5% - passionfruit and tropical fruit, moderate bitterness, mouth-filling. Fair summer ale	4.5	XPA
OK	Jan-Mar 2023			Robe Town Brewery The Moon Hop XPA 6.1% - smoke, bacon fat, malt, white pepper, underlaid with burnt orange marmalade, guava, peach and Nashi pear. Distinctive, different	6.1	XPA
OK	Mar-Jun 2022			Salt Brewing Kook XPA 4.8% - crisp, citrus - orange/rind, grapefruit, fresh - bitterness nicely rounds out the flavours. One of their best brews	4.8	XPA
OK	Jul-Dec 2020			Stockade Brew Co Hop Splicer XPA 4.4% 31 IBU - clean, crisp, citrus, grapefruit/orange. Very sessionable for summer days	4.4	XPA
OK	Mar-Jun 2022			Tallboy and Moose Sunray XPA 4.8% (tap) - lemon, orange zest, tropical, good bitterness in balance with the flavours, crisp acid backbone. A summer refresher	4.8	XPA
OK	Mar-Jun 2022			Temple Brewing Rice XPA 5% (tap) - orange, grapefruit, citrus spritz, tropical fusion, wonderful complexity for a low Gluten beer - maybe the best I've tasted! Bless Naked for Satan in Fitzroy and TB for it	5.0	XPA
OK	Jan-Feb 2022			Tribe Breweries Initial Brewing Smooth Tropical XPA 4.2% - citrus, grapefruit, mandarine, malt, nice bitterness - full flavour at slightly lower alcohol	4.2	XPA
OK	Jun-Oct 2023			Wolf of the Willows XPA 4.7% - Orange, passionfruit, pear, malt warmth, pepper, rounded bitterness gives full mouthfeel. Pretty fair effort from the Moordy team	4.7	XPA
OK	Jan-Feb 2022	33	20	Heaps Normal Quiet XPA <0.5% - excellent zero alcohol drop. Tropical fruit, touch of malt, mid-bitterness. Full beer flavour - clever	0.5	XPA/Zero Alc.