



Big Beers, Belgians & Barleywines Showcases More than 100 Breweries

Brewmasters will serve up more than 375 different beers during the Jan. 9-11 weekend event

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VAIL, CO – For thirteen years, the Big Beers, Belgians & Barleywines Festival has attracted beer and snow enthusiasts alike to Vail with its unconventional and big beer formats, marquee brewmasters list and world-class resort setting. Next year will be no different. Today, festival coordinators announced the list of participating breweries for their Jan 9-11, 2014 event at the Vail Cascade Resort. In 2013, there were 85 breweries and importers present to showcase their wares at the Commercial Tasting, up 25 from the previous year. For the 14th anniversary event, there will be 111 breweries present in Vail representing 140 breweries and serving more than 375 beers to taste at the Commercial Tasting signature event and throughout the weekend.

To participate in the Big Beers, Belgians & Barleywines festival, beers must be either “big” (over 7% alcohol by volume), of a Belgian style, or experimental in nature. “These beers are not on the radar of the mainstream beer drinker,” said Laura Lodge, festival organizer. “We are pleased to offer our attendees the opportunity to try these extreme, rare, unusual, and limited release products. Our goal is to increase the market for these beers by educating the consumer about the variety of specialty products created by these talented brewers.”

Several of the breweries listed will also be featured throughout the weekend in other formats, such as the Welcome Reception, educational seminars, Brewmasters’ Dinners, a Cigar Pairing Experience, the Yoga of Brewing, and more. For tickets and a complete list of events, visit the festival website at www.BigBeersFestival.com.

The Vail Cascade Resort will also be creating a lounge for festival participants and attendees, offering a diverse selection of products donated by the breweries as a fundraiser for the Vail Valley Charitable Fund. The Cascade Lounge will also provide food service to supplement the Fireside Bar throughout the weekend.

2014 Big Beers, Belgians & Barleywines Participating Breweries

AC Golden Brewing Co.
Alaskan Brewing Co.
Allagash Brewing Co.
Altitude Chophouse
Antwerpe Brouw Compagnie
Aspen Brewing Co.
Atom Brewing Co.
Atwater Brewing Co.
Avery Brewing Co.
B.O.M. Brewery
BackCountry Brewery
Baere Brewing Co.
Bell's Brewery
Big Choice Brewing Co.
Black Sky Brewery
Blue Spruce Brewing Co.
Bonfire Brewing Co.
Bootstrap Brewing Co.
Boston Beer Co.
Boulder Beer Co.
Boulevard Brewing Co.
Brasserie Brunehaut
Brasserie d'Achouffe
Brasserie des Rocs
Brasserie d'Orval Trappist Brewery
Brasserie du Bocq - Blanche de Namur
Brasserie Les 3 Fourquets
Brasserie St. Feuillien
Brauerei Schloss Eggenberg
Breckenridge Brewery
Brewery Ommegang
Bristol Brewing Co.
Brouwerij Bavik
Brouwerij Bockor
Brouwerij Bosteels
Brouwerij De Landtsheer NV
Brouwerij der Trappisten van Westmalle
Brouwerij Het Anker
Brouwerij Huyghe
Brouwerij Koningshoeven
Brouwerij Lindemans
Brouwerij St. Bernardus
Brouwerij St. Bernardus
Brouwerij Straffe Hendrik
Brouwerij Timmermanns-John Martin NV
Brouwerij Van Honebrouck
Brouwerij Van Steenberge
Brouwers Prearis
Brouwers Verzet
Butcherknife Brewing Co.
Cambridge Brewing Co.
Captain Lawrence Brewing Co.
Caution Brewing Co.
Cervarjaria Colorado
Copper Kettle Brewing Co.
Coronado Brewing Co.
Crazy Mountain Brewing Co.
Crooked Stave Brewing Co.
Crystal Springs Brewing Co.
De Proef Brouwerij
Denver Beer Co.
Deschutes Brewing Co.
Dillon Dam Brewery
Dogfish Head Craft Brewery
Dry Dock Brewing Co.
Echo Brewing Co.
Elevation Beer Co.
Epic Brewing Co.
FATE Brewing Co.
Firestone Walker Brewing Co.
Flying Dog Brewery
Ft. Collins Brewery
Funkwerks
Goose Island Beer Co.
Gore Range Brewery
Grand Teton Brewing Co.
Gravity Brewing Co.
Great Divide Brewing Co.
Green Flash Brewing Co.
Grimm Brothers Brewhouse
High Hops Brewing Co.
Hogshead Brewery
Jagged Mountain Craft Brewery
Karch Brewing Co.
Lagunitas Brewing Co.
Left Hand Brewing Co.
Lexington Brewing Co.
Lone Tree Brewing Co.
Lost Abbey Brewing Co.
Lost Highway Brewing Co.
Loveland Aleworks
Marble Brewery
Mission Brewing Co.
Mystic Brewing Co.
New Belgium Brewing Co.
Odd 13 Brewing Co.
Odell Brewing Co.
Odyssey Beer Werks
Oskar Blues Brewing Co.
Palisade Brewing Co.

Papago Brewing Co.
Paradox Brewing Co.
Pateros Creek Brewing Co.
Perennial Artisan Ales
Pretty Things Beer & Ale Project
Pug Ryan's Brewery
Redstone Meadery
Renegade Brewing Co.
River North Brewery
Roadhouse Brewing Co.
Saint Arnold Brewing Co.
Samuel Smith Brewery
Sanitas Brewing Co.
Shmaltz Brewing Co.
Sierra Nevada Brewing Co.
Ska Brewing Co.
Squatters Pubs & Beers
Stone Brewing Co.
Strange Brewing Corp.
Surly Brewing Co.

Telluride Brewing Co.
Ter Dolen Kasteelbrouwerij
Three Barrel Brewing Co.
Tivoli Brewing Co.
Tommyknocker Brewing Co.
Trappistes Rochefort (10 & 8)
Trinity Brewing Co.
Twelve Degree Brewing Co.
Upslope Brewing Co.
Verboten Brewing Co.
Very Nice Brewing Co.
Wasatch Brew Pub & Brewery
West Flanders Brewing Co.
Widmer Brithers Brewing
Wild Woods Brewery
Wiley Roots Brewing Co.
Wit's End Brewing Co.
Wynkoop Brewing Co.
Yak & Yeti Brewpub

Ticket sales kicked off in September, but tickets are still available for the Commercial Tasting and some seminars. For more information about the Big Beers, Belgians & Barleywines Festival or to purchase tickets and learn about discounted lodging rates, visit www.bigbeersfestival.com. Further information about the host property, Vail Cascade, can be found at www.vailcascade.com and additional information about the Vail Valley Charitable Fund is located at www.vvcf.org.

About Big Beers, Belgians & Barleywines

The Big Beers, Belgians & Barleywines Festival is a three day event featuring educational seminars, two Brewmasters dinners, a Commercial Tasting, a homebrew competition and other tastings and pairings. Designed to welcome the beer connoisseur, the innovative homebrewer, or the novice curious about craft beer, participants will find events appropriate for all levels of interest. The festival regularly draws breweries from around the world offering literally hundreds of choices. The Big Beers, Belgians & Barleywines Festival actively supports the efforts of the Vail Valley Charitable Fund, a local organization that helps individuals who live and work in the Vail Valley that have critical financial need due to medical catastrophes, accidents or long-term illnesses. For more information about the VVCF, visit www.vvcf.org. Contact the Big Beers, Belgians and Barleywines Festival at www.bigbeersfestival.com.

About Vail Cascade

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