

Around the World in Ten Summer Beers

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1. **Dogfish Head '90 Minute' IPA, Milton, Delaware, \$3.00/12oz (\$12.00/4pack)**
Is this America's greatest IPA? Many think so. It's big, but oh-so-drinkable, the ultimate hop-head beer.
2. **Bayerischer Bahnhof Berliner Weisse, Leipzig, Germany, \$5.00/330ml**
Crisp and tangy, with only 3% alcohol, it's hard to imagine a more thirst-quenching summer beer.
3. **Brasserie Lebbe 'L'Amalthée', Gascogne, France, \$10.00/750ml**
With only about 400 bottles made each month, Lebbe defines 'microbrewery'. He grows his own malt and hops, and makes this perfect summer ale in re-purposed dairy equipment.
4. **Moa 'Original' Lager, Blenheim, Marlborough, New Zealand, \$12.00/750ml**
Fermented in the bottle, using Champagne yeast, Moa makes what we consider to be the greatest lager in the world.
5. **Forêt Organic Saison, Tourpes, Belgium, \$11.00/750ml**
Made with barley and wheat malts, and spiced with coriander and bitter orange peel, this is what a Belgian farmer would drink during the summer.
6. **Hook Norton 'Hooky Gold', Oxfordshire, England, \$6.00/500ml**
This bright golden ale, from one of Britain's most important small breweries, started its life as a summer seasonal, but proved so popular that they now brew it year-round.
7. **Pivovar Herold 'Golden Revolution' Imperial Pilsner, Breznice, Czech Republic, \$14.00/750ml**
From the land where Pilsner was born, but with the help of a little American ingenuity, comes this über-hoppy rendition of the classic summer lager.
8. **Lion Stout, Biyagama, Sri Lanka, \$2.00/330ml**
One thing the British left behind as their Empire crumbled was a love for Stouts – not just in Sri Lanka, but other parts of Asia and Africa – even in hot-weather climates. This one is classic, roasty, and eminently drinkable.
9. **Belhaven 'Twisted Thistle' IPA, Dunbar, Scotland, \$4.00/500ml**
Scotland's hoppiest ale, Twisted Thistle is still pretty tame by West Coast IPA standards, but makes a great summer quaff. The British hops used are far less bitter than their American counterparts.
10. **Nøgne Ø Pale Ale, Grimstad, Norway, \$9.00/500ml**
Nøgne Ø use only high-alpha Pacific Northwest hops for their beers, so this pale ale seems more like an American IPA in style. It is pricey, but it is also one of the world's greatest beers, and Norwegians get so little summer, they know how to enjoy it.