



Philadelphia - Home to the Top U.S. Craft Brewery and One of the Best Beer Drinking Cities in the United States

The celebrated quote, “Beer is proof that God loves us and wants us to prosper” was said by none other than famous Philadelphian Benjamin Franklin. Home to nationally-recognized breweries and festivals, and historical brewpubs and tours, it is no surprise that Philadelphia is one of the best beer drinking cities in the United States. Here, you will also find top U.S. craft brewery, Yuengling. Philadelphia invites those who love to sip to come discover some of its local breweries.

Local Breweries

McGillin’s Olde Ale House

Home to the oldest continuously operated tavern in Philadelphia, **McGillin’s Olde Ale House** has kept the beer taps flowing since 1860, outlasting the Civil War and even Prohibition. Dubbed one of the “Best Irish Pubs in America” by *Complex* magazine and “Coolest bars in the U.S.” by *Gourmet*, this popular pub is family-owned and operated by the Mullins family, who purchased the bar from the McGillin family in 1958. Serving up a large selection of regional microbrews, **Stoudt’s Brewing** is the brewery of the tavern’s two house specials, **McGillin’s Real Ale** and **McGillin’s Genuine Lager**. The **McGillin’s 1860 IPA** was launched in 2010 for the pub’s 150th Anniversary and is unfiltered just as it would have been in the 1800s; it is also made from a secret recipe with multiple hop varieties. mccillins.com

2nd Story Brewing Co.

With a selection of nine diverse beers, there is always a brew for visitors to love at 2nd Story Brewing Co. in Old City. Beer drinkers must try the **117 Pale Ale** that is intensely hopped with three varieties of American hops - Chinook, Cascade and Centennial. Also offering a fresh menu of delicious burgers, flatbreads and the age-old favorite fried pickles, patrons can indulge at this relaxing establishment. 2ndstorybrewing.com

Manayunk Brewery and Restaurant

Manayunk Brewery and Restaurant tapped its first batch of fresh-brewed beer in 1996 in an old textile mill. Four years later, they expanded their outdoor seating with a deck overlooking the Schuylkill River and soon added a Stone Pizza Oven and a Sushi Bar to enhance the food selection on the menu. With 10 beers on tap and over 30 past seasonal beer options, this young brewery and restaurant is anything but underdeveloped. manayunkbrewery.com

Yuengling

As the oldest operating brewing company, and top craft brewery in the country, **Yuengling** was established in 1829 and continues to be one of the largest breweries, by volume, in the country. With headquarters in Pottsville, Pennsylvania, Yuengling operates two Pennsylvania facilities along with a brewery in Tampa, Florida producing about 2.5M barrels annually, including its popular **Traditional Lager**. Guided tours are available in Pottstown for visitors to discover America’s Oldest Brewery by tasting history. Yuengling survived the Prohibition era by producing “near beers” (0.5% alcohol content) and story has it the brewery celebrated the repeal by sending a truckload of their symbolic Winner Beer to the White House to show their thanks to President Roosevelt. yuengling.com

Barren Hill Tavern & Brewery

With an impressive 30 craft beer selection list on draft, **Barren Hill Tavern & Brewery** is considered a hot new addition to the historic and colonial General Lafayette Inn building, located just outside of Philadelphia in Montgomery County. barrenhilltavern.com

Yards Brewery

Outgrowing three different facilities due to high demand for their high quality beer, **Yards Brewery** has found its home nestled on a scenic spot overlooking the Delaware River complete with a Tasting Room and tour options. With five signature ales including **Philadelphia Pale Ale**, **Yards Brawler**, **Extra Special Ale**, **India Pale Ale** and **Love Stout**, Yards also produces seasonal brews and **Ales of the Revolution** which includes a special **Strong Golden Ale**, created with help from Philadelphia's historic City Tavern to recreate the recipe that emulate the beer Thomas Jefferson made at Monticello. yardsbrewing.com

Philadelphia Brewing Company

Located in a beautifully-designed 19th century facility in the industrial neighborhood of Kensington, Philadelphia, the **Philadelphia Brewing Company** has been serving up beer and representing the city it is named after for over 125 years. This oldest and largest brewing facility in Philadelphia serves up five year-round beers including the **Kenzinger**, **Walt Wit**, **Pennsylvania Pale Ale**, **Newbold India Pale Ale** and the **Schwarzinger Black Lager**, as well as seasonal brews. Tours and tastings are available on Saturdays. philadelphiabrewing.com

Beer Tour

Learn the history and traditions of Philadelphia while sipping a brew during **Tippler's Tour** **Colonial Pub Crawl**, located in the heart of Philadelphia's historic district. With stops at three modern-day watering holes and famous reconstructed Colonial tavern where servers are head-to-toe in traditional garb, City Tavern, visitors immerse themselves in 17th century Philadelphia. Now complete with four seasonal varieties including Dr. Benjamin Franklin's Birthday Tour in January, Ben's Kites & Flights, Colonial Tales & Ales, Ghosts & Toasts, and Yuletide Cheers & Beers. historicphiladelphia.org/tiplers-tour

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