



FESTIVAL PROGRAMME 2026

----- WELCOME -----


Thanks for coming to the Bishop Sutton Beer Festival. We hope you have a great time.

We've tried to make this an event that will appeal to as many people as possible. Mostly, we just want everyone to have a good time. If we do that, then it'll have been a success. However, we're also a charity (The Bishop Sutton Beer Festival Charity to be exact) on a mission to raise money for great local causes. So please enjoy yourself and explore our wide array of beers and other drinks, and if you want to buy a few more tokens or even just make a donation, you can do so basking in the warm glow* of knowing your supporting local charities. (*as well as the warm glow from a few drinks!)


If you've come on Friday then you can enjoy paella from **Salvador Ballester** as well as music from the **Ravens of Gallis Row** and **None of the Above**, and if there's any time left at the end we will have some bangers on the big screen. If you've come earlier on Saturday there's **Sonder** live on stage, a bouncy castle for the kids, and the kings of Bristol toasted cheese: **For Mice & Men**. On the big screen we've got all three games from the final weekend of the Six Nations rugby Enjoy!


And yes, this year we do have a (limited) cider option too, from our great friends at **Wilding Cider**.


----- CASK BEERS -----


Launch Approval (Bristol Beer Factory) 4.2% German / US Session Pale (GF)
 Two national powerhouse hops brought together in a sessionable pale ale. Launch Approval marries two of the best in the hop game: German Mandarina Bavaria brings the orange, whilst US Loral bring a hint of peppery spice.


Light Work (Left Handed Giant) 4.2% Pale Ale
 An easy drinking, crisp and refreshing cask pale, showcasing the delights of Simcoe, Nelson Sauvin and Citra hops.


Westie (New Bristol Brewery) 5.5% West Coast IPA (GF) (V)
 A modern take on a classic style. Expect a clean and precise malt bill balanced by just the right amount of bitterness. Hop notes include pine, citric and creamy tropical fruits. Idaho 7, Nelson, Dolcita Cryo hops. Juicy, clear, tropical

C-Bomb (Arbor) 4.7% US Single Hop Pale Ale (GF) (V)
 The only description needed for this beer: An American pale ale with massive quantities of Citra hops. The hops do the rest of the talking!


Piney Sleight (Cheddar Ales) 4.0% US IPA
 Brewed using a blend of Maris Otter, Munich, Vienna and Cara malts with a handful of flaked oats for smoothness. Powerful hints of ripe mango, blueberry and passion fruit with a subtle pine forest aroma. Simcoe & Mosaic hops.


Joy of Sesh (New Bristol Brewery) 4.2% Session IPA (GF) (V)
 Clear, tasty and very, sessionable. Mosaic & Citra Hops. Nothing more needs to be said.


Simple Pleasures (Nene Valley, Northants) 3.6% Extra Pale Ale
 So light. So clean. A refreshing beer packed full of Cascade and Vic Secret Hops. A great one to hit mid-session. Simple and refreshing.


ZZ Hop (Arbor) 4.3% New England IPA
 An unforgettable New England IPA. Mosaic hops are a popular US "cultivar" known for a complex, multi-layered aroma profile often described as a "mosaic" of tropical fruit, blueberry, tangerine, papaya, and earthy pine


How much difference can one hop make? Have halves of these next two back-to-back to find out. Golden Ales is a malt forward style and both these beers are built on the same 7-strong malt base. What sets the apart are the hops. US v UK. Which wins? Discuss with friends.


Trick Play (Bristol Beer Factory) 4.2% U.S. Session Gold
 U.S. Loral takes centre stage, underrated and deserving of more recognition in the new-wave hop world. Loral has a European noble history and a zing of U.S citrus.

Route 1 (Bristol Beer Factory) 3.6% U.K. Session Gold
 U.K Brambling Cross in the spotlight, this hop brings subtle spice and lemon undertones. A beautifully balanced taste, this one runs smooth.

Mystery Tor (Glastonbury Brewery) 3.8% Golden Ale
 Winners of a 'Taste of the West' 2024 award, Glastonbury brew this fresh & fruity golden ale with a zesty citrus character. Calypso, Azacca, Centennial Hops

Hedge Monkey (Glastonbury Brewery) 4.6% Amber Ale
 A bald and ballsy Amber from microbrewery Glastonbury. This deep amber ale has well-rounded bitterness and malty depth. Challenger & 'noble' Mount Hood hops.

Bitter (Nene Valley, Northamptonshire) 4.1% Chestnut Bitter (GF)
 An NVB stable since the brewery's inception in 2012, this is a pale, smooth, full bodied, pale chestnut traditional bitter for everyday drinking. A Maris Otter, Crystal, Cara and Wheat backbone. Sovereign hops round out this classic bitter.

Kindling (Otherworld Brewing, Scotland) 4.0% Scottish 80 Shilling
 A rarity this far south, the Scottish '80 shilling' (named for the 19th century tax rate per barrel) is a malty, smooth beer variety. Rich in a range of crystal malts, this one features figs, rich red fruit, raisin, burnt caramel and toffee flavours.

Black Band (Kirkstall Brewery, Yorkshire) 5.5% Porter



Amongst the many fantastic breweries of Yorkshire, Kirkstall holds its own. This is a full bodied yet beautifully smooth dark porter. Perfectly balanced flavours of chocolate and coffee enhanced by the mild herbal hop character. Deliciously dark.

Milk Stout (Bristol Beer Factory, Bristol) 4.5% Milk Stout (GF)



The original Bristol Milk Stout with smooth chocolatey sweetness and balancing coffee bitterness with hints of dark fruits. This national champion stout is beautifully creamy and full-bodied. One of those beers that put BBF on the map.

Oxymoron (Cwrw Otley, Pontypridd) 5.5% Black IPA



From of the most respected breweries in Wales, this black IPA heavily hopped with American Chinook and Columbus hops. Piney on the nose with a little liquorice and treacle in the mouth followed by burnt bitter finish with a touch of chocolate.

----- **WINES** -----

Thanks to **Handpicked Wine Box** we've got an excellent selection of wines by the glass. All wines are 2 tokens per glass...which, when you think about it, is pretty outstanding value especially when paired with that warm inner feeling from knowing that all profits go to charity!

Les Saisons de la Vigne (France)



Grenache and Syrah deliver a friendly and warming leafy, autumnal aromas and an ample, sweet dried currant palate. A delicious, medium-bodied, soft, fruity red.

Santiago Merlot (Chile)



Plummy fruit notes and subtle spice combine in a wonderfully smooth wine.

Spumante Brut (Italy)



Produced in the same way as Prosecco leading to a light and delicate perlage – fine bubbles. Soft & fruity. Malvasia di Candida, Ortrugo, and Chardonnay.

Pendenza Pinot Grigio (Italy)



A crisp Italian pinot. Light floral notes and a lemony fresh finish.

Santiago Sauvignon Blanc



Quite simply a great expression of Sauvignon Blanc. Zesty and refreshing.



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----- **NO & LOW** -----

Thanks to **Corks of North Street**, we've got a truly exceptional selection of non/low-alc drinks.

Everything below is 1 token except the Kasteel. We know that makes it more pricey than the casks but we're actually making a loss on some of this stuff in order to provide this incredible selection. Because, whether your zebra striping* or just not drinking, we want you to explore.

*For those wondering: 'Zebra striping' is alternating between alcoholic and non-alcoholic beers to stay at that perfect level. Type it into google.

Rouge **Kasteel** **Fruited Red Beer** **[2 TOKENS]**

Brewed by Belgian specialty brewers Van Honsebrouck, this ruby-red specialty beer has a rich head and the recognizable flavour palette fruity original beer. The slightly sweet aroma with hints of elderflower provides the impetus for a refreshing specialty beer.

Black Isle **Halo** **Organic IPA**

Black Isle Brewery, based on in Munlochy, Scotland have been producing brilliant organic beers for years. This AF IPA has hints of pawpaw and pineapple in this tropical IPA, along with aromas of sweet tangerines

Implosion **To Øl** **Tropical IPA**

Denmark's To Øl are huge on the craft beer scene. They describe this AF beer as light and chuggable, with nice peachy notes from the yeast. Slightly sweet, but not too prominent, nice and fresh hop aromas, and absolutely NO hangover

Mash Gang **Chug** **Hazy IPA**

Mash Gang are the on-trend kings of the AF world, and we reckon this is their best. Bold flavours, easy-drinking soft body, and a balanced citrus hop finish.

Heaps Normal **Quiet XPA** **Aussie IPA**

Heaps Normal was founded by Aussie pro-surfer Jordy Smith in 2020, and has since won 'heaps' of accolades at the World Beer Awards, including for this full flavoured citrusy XPA.

Arbor **New Horizons** **Hoppy Pale Ale**

Clean, crisp, refreshing. Easy drinking, packed with complex, layered flavours.



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----- **Staying Safe** -----

Those who came last year may remember that we had St John Ambulance at the ready, just in case anything should happen. Sadly, despite our best efforts, they simply were not available this year. Obviously we want everyone to have a great time. But if you feel unwell at all or have any medical issue or emergency then please make yourself known to a Festival volunteer and we will try to help.