

Beer styles chart

Style	Family	ABV %	IBU	SRM	Flavour
American light lager	Lager	2.8–4.2	8–12	2–3	Very pale, crisp, subtle flavour
American lager	Lager	4.2–5.3	8–18	2–3.5	Clean, light, highly carbonated
Munich helles	Lager	4.7–5.4	16–22	3–5	Soft bready malt, gentle hops
German pils	Lager	4.4–5.2	22–40	2–4	Crisp, dry, floral-bitter finish
Czech pale lager (pilsner)	Lager	4.2–5.8	30–45	3.5–6	Rich malt with spicy Saaz hops
Vienna lager	Lager	4.7–5.5	18–30	9–15	Toasty malt, amber colour
Märzen (Oktoberfest)	Lager	5.6–6.3	18–24	8–17	Toasty, malty, clean finish
Munich dunkel	Lager	4.5–5.6	18–28	17–28	Bread-crust and chocolate malt
Schwarzbier	Lager	4.4–5.4	20–35	19–30	Black but light-bodied and dry
Doppelbock	Lager	7–10	16–26	6–25	Rich, strong, malty-sweet
Kölsch	Hybrid	4.4–5.2	18–30	3.5–5	Delicate fruit, lager-like crispness
German hefeweizen	Wheat	4.3–5.6	8–15	2–6	Banana and clove, cloudy
Belgian witbier	Wheat	4.5–5.5	8–20	2–4	Orange peel and coriander, hazy
American wheat	Wheat	4–5.5	15–30	3–6	Clean, light, bready
Berliner weisse	Sour	2.8–3.8	3–8	2–3	Tart, very light and refreshing
Gose	Sour	4.2–4.8	5–12	3–4	Sour, salty, coriander
Flanders red ale	Sour	4.6–6.5	10–25	10–16	Wine-like, fruity sourness
Gueuze (lambic blend)	Sour	5–8	0–10	5–7	Complex, funky, sharply sour
English best bitter	Ale	3.8–4.6	25–40	8–16	Balanced malt and earthy hops
Irish red ale	Ale	3.8–5	18–28	9–14	Caramel malt, dry finish
American pale ale	Ale	4.5–6.2	30–50	5–10	Citrusy hops, balanced malt
American amber ale	Ale	4.5–6.2	25–40	10–17	Caramel malt with hop character

Style	Family	ABV %	IBU	SRM	Flavour
English IPA	Ale	5–7.5	40–60	6–14	Earthy hops, biscuity malt
American IPA	Ale	5.5–7.5	40–70	6–14	Bold citrus and pine hops
Hazy (New England) IPA	Ale	6–9	25–60	3–7	Juicy tropical hops, soft bitterness
Double IPA	Ale	7.5–10	60–100	6–14	Intense hops, strong
Saison	Belgian	5–7	20–35	5–14	Dry, peppery, fruity yeast
Belgian dubbel	Belgian	6–7.6	15–25	10–17	Dark fruit, caramel, spice
Belgian tripel	Belgian	7.5–9.5	20–40	4.5–7	Golden, strong, spicy-fruity
Belgian golden strong	Belgian	7.5–10.5	22–35	3–6	Pale, dry, deceptively strong
Belgian dark strong (quad)	Belgian	8–12	20–35	12–22	Rich dried fruit, warming
American brown ale	Ale	4.3–6.2	20–30	18–35	Nutty, chocolatey, moderate hops
English porter	Dark	4–5.4	18–35	20–30	Chocolate and caramel, smooth
American porter	Dark	4.8–6.5	25–50	22–40	Roasty with more hops
Irish stout	Dark	4–4.5	25–45	25–40	Dry roasted barley, creamy head
Oatmeal stout	Dark	4.2–5.9	25–40	22–40	Silky, coffee and chocolate
American stout	Dark	5–7	35–75	30–40	Bold roast and hops
Imperial stout	Dark	8–12	50–90	30–40	Very strong, intense roast
Scotch ale (wee heavy)	Ale	6.5–10	17–35	14–25	Rich caramel malt, warming
English barleywine	Ale	8–12	35–70	8–22	Very strong, toffee and fruit

Approximate typical ranges based on common style guidelines.