# beer

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#### [biə] *n* 1) пиво

beer mug [bottle, glass, yeast] - пивная кружка [бутылка, -ой стакан, -ые дрожжи]

beer parlour - *амер.* пивная ginger beer - имбирное пиво

# 2) слабый алкогольный напиток

◊ small beer - а) слабое пиво; б) мелочи

to chronicle small beer - отмечать несущественные подробности

to think no small beer of oneself - быть о себе высокого мнения

(to be) in beer - (быть) под хмельком /навеселе/

life is not all beer and skittles - жизнь не простая штука;  $\cong$  жизнь прожить - не поле перейти

### II

#### [biə] *п текст.*

расчётная единица основы

### beer

**beer** [beer beers] BrE [bI9(r)] NAmE [bI1] noun

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1. uncountable, countable an alcoholic drink made from <sup>†</sup>malt and flavoured with <sup>†</sup>hops. There are many types of beer

- a barrel/bottle/glass of beer
- beers brewed in Germany
- a beer glass
- Are you a beer drinker?
- 2. countable a glass, bottle or can of beer
- Shall we have a beer?

see also 1ginger beer, 1guest beer, 1keg beer, 1root beer, 1small beer

### Word Origin:

Old English beor, of West Germanic origin, based on monastic Latin biber 'a drink', from Latin bibere 'to drink'; related to Dutch bier and German Bier.

### Culture:

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In Britain, beer is the most popular alcoholic drink which is drunk in <sup>†</sup>pubs. Many people drink **bitter**, a brown-coloured beer. It is sold **on draught**, if it is drawn for each customer from a large container, usually a **keg** or **barrel**, or **bottled**, if it has been put in small bottles at a factory. Bottled beer is sometimes called **ale**. Bitter is usually drunk at room temperature. **Lager**, which is yellow in colour, has more gas in it and is usually drunk cold. Many pubs sell a selection of French, German and Australian lagers. **Stout** is a strong, dark brown beer which forms a thick white **froth**, or ,head', on top when poured into a glass. **Mild** is a sweeter, darker form of bitter but is less popular. **Shandy** is a mixture of beer and lemonade or ginger beer. Draught beer or lager is sold in **pints** or **half-pints**. Some people drink **low-alcohol** beers and lagers in order to reduce the risk of **drink-driving** (= driving a car while under the influence of alcohol), which is against the law. Many people like to drink **real ale**, beer that is made and stored in the traditional way, often made by smaller **breweries** (= companies that make beer). The interests of real ale drinkers are defended by <sup>†</sup>CAMRA, the Campaign for Real Ale, which publishes a list of real-ale pubs and campaigns to prevent small breweries closing.

The US **brewing** industry was begun by Germans who moved to the US, and so the typical US beer has always been like German beer, light in colour, similar to what the British call lager, although Americans do not use that word. Until the beginning of the 20th century there were many small, family-run breweries in the US, but then Prohibition came into effect and it became illegal to sell alcohol. By the time Prohibition was cancelled most of the small breweries had gone out of business. Today, most beer is produced by a few large breweries, all of whom make similar products. Recently, however, Americans have begun to appreciate different sorts of beer and many **microbreweries** have opened. These brew and serve high-quality beer made in traditional ways. This movement has even led some of the large breweries to return to traditional methods and materials. The microbrewery movement has been supported mostly by professional people with a high income but, in general, beer is seen as a drink for people with less money, or for informal occasions. People drink beer after playing sports or while watching them, but wine is considered more appropriate to drink with a meal.

Many makes of beer in the US are sold in both bottles and cans, though microbrewery beers come only in bottles. Restaurants always serve bottled beer. In some states beer can be sold in **supermarkets**, **gas stations** and local **convenience stores** (= shops that are open for many hours each day). In other states it can be sold only in specially **licensed liquor stores** or **bottle shops**. This can be confusing and even embarrassing for Americans when they travel to a different state, as well as for foreign visitors.

## Example Bank:

- Children are welcome in the beer garden.
- Do you drink beer?
- He downed his beer in one go.
- He poured us all a beer.
- He slammed his glass down and the beer slopped over the sides.
- He's only twenty but he already has a beer belly.
- I have some beers chilling in the cooler.

- I ordered half a pint of beer with my sandwich.
- I saw him at the bar ordering a beer.
- I'm going (out) for a beer with Carl tonight.
- Playing non-league football keeps him in beer money.
- Put the beer in the fridge to chill.
- Singing in bars keeps him in beer money= earns him a little money.
- The bar smelled of stale beer.
- The beer flowed freely after the game.
- The pub has a beer garden round the back.
- The shop specializes in designer beers.
- This beer should be drawn slowly.
- Will you have a beer?
- · a glass of foaming ice-cold beer

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## beer S2 W3 /biə \$ bir/ BrE AmE noun

[Language: Old English; Origin: beor]



### 1. [uncountable] an alcoholic drink made from <sup>†</sup>malt and <sup>†</sup>hops:

- a pint of beer
- We sell <u>draught beer</u> (=beer served from a large container, not a bottle).
- 2. [countable] a glass, bottle, or can of beer:
  - Do you fancy a beer?

### -beery adjective:

### his beery breath

 $\Rightarrow$  †ginger beer, †root beer,  $\Rightarrow$  small beer at †small 1(16)

### **COLLOCATIONS**

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### types of beer

- cold/ice-cold beer He opened the fridge and got out a can of ice-cold beer.

 draught beer British English, draft beer American English (=taken from a large container, not served in a bottle) He only everdrinks draught beer.

- bottled beer (=served in a bottle) We sell a wide selection of draught and bottled beers.
- strong beer (=with a lot of alcohol) He had drunk two pints of strong beer before attempting to drive.
- light beer especially American English (=lower in alcohol or calories than normal beer) He claims light beer has no flavor.
- low-alcohol beer (=lower in alcohol than normal beer) Have you tried low-alcohol beer?
- alcohol-free beer (=with no alcohol in it) I'll bring some alcohol-free beer.
- stale beer (=old beer which has an unpleasant smell) The hotel smelt of cigarette smoke and stale beer.

### beer + NOUN

- a beer bottle/can (=a bottle/can for beer) Empty beer cans littered the ground.
- a beer barrel/keg (=a large container for beer) They rolled empty beer barrels along the street.
- a beer mat (=a mat for putting a glass of beer on) There were beer mats and an ashtray on the table.
- a beer glass He raised his beer glass and said 'Cheers!'
- a beer mug (=large glass with a handle) The barmaid brought over four foaming beer mugs.
- a beer drinker I'm not really a beer drinker.
- a beer festival (=special event where people can taste different types of beer)

# phrases

- a pint of beer Two pints of beer, please.
- a bottle/can of beer (=containing beer) The fridge was full of cans of beer.
- a barrel of beer (=a large container containing beer) He bought a barrel of beer for the party.

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- beer a general word for an alcoholic drink made from <sup>1</sup>malt and HOPS: a bottle of beer | Let's go and have a beer in the pub.
- lager a light-coloured beer, which often has a lot of bubbles in it: A pint of lager, please.
- ale a type of beer which is usually sold in a bottle or a can: Beers and fine ales were brewed here for over a hundred years. |
  Newcastle Brown Ale
- draught beer British English, draft beer American English beer that is served from a large container rather than a bottle,

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especially good quality beer: The pub serves a range of draught beers.

• real ale British English beer that has been made in the, traditional way, not in a large factory: The pub has real ale and live music most nights.

- bitter British English a type of dark strong beer that is popular in Britain: I'll have a pint of bitter.
- shandy a drink made of beer mixed with lemonade: I'd better have a shandy I'm driving.
- cider an alcoholic drink made from apples: His clothes were old and dirty, and he stank of cider.

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