

VITAL STATS

ABV:	4.1%
Bitterness:	Low
Colour:	Orange / Gold / Pale
Style:	Saison

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PRODUCT PROFILE

BRAND DESCRIPTION

A South African inspired Belgian style saison infused with naartjie peel and black pepper.

STYLE HISTORY

Saison is a style originating from the Southern Wallonia region of Belgium. It is often described as a provision beer – brewed originally to satisfy farm workers and produced using a variety of ingredients available to the brewer at the time. Saison can have wide variation in colour and alcohol strength but there are some key identifiers. Yeast used to ferment saison produce a unique combination of flavours and aromas including a citrus fruitiness and peppery/spice notes. Saison tends to finish very dry and have relatively high carbonation. This makes them very refreshing and highly drinkable.

AROMA

Fresh cracked peppercorns, sweet citrus (naartjie), hints of lemongrass and light floral hop. Malt notes of toasty bread crust.

APPEARANCE

Light orange honey-like colour with some haziness which is appropriate for the style. Pours a medium to large off-white head which should persist – also appropriate for the style.

SUGGESTED FOOD PAIRINGS

- Fish and chips
- Caesar Salad
- Meze Platter (Mediterranean flavour such as olives, hummus, salty cheese, seafood, and vegetables)
- Soft cheeses with some sharpness such as brie or camembert.

FLAVOUR

Honey and bready malt flavours. Light peppery spice and zesty citrus peel. Low bitterness with a dry finish and lingering spice and citrus notes.

MOUTHFEEL

Medium body. High carbonation which is appropriate for the style. Effervescent sensation from high carbonation yet soft full mouthfeel. Crisp dry finish which makes for good drinkability.

STYLE COMPARISON / DRINKER PROFILE

Has some of the characteristics of Weissbier, including fruity/spicy flavours, bready malt and low bitterness. Also shares some similarities with the strong Belgian Trappist and Abbey beers, yet easier to drink.

This beer will likely appeal to someone looking for a beer with low bitterness and great refreshment, yet more interesting than a pale lager.

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