

If people wonder why there are so many blonde ales and why most breweries seem to have one, well, the reason is quite simple. This lager-like, light ale is a speedy brew to produce. So, as a brewery journeys towards the time and space to make a great lager or pilsner, you give the people what they want until then. Sometimes they become a brewery's signature brew and end up sticking around for the long haul. As this style tends to almost blend together after a few flights we looked to the ones with an artistic and original character, and these were the best ... Dave Gingrich

JUDGES SELECTION





Annex Ale

Zero Issue **Brewing Bywater Blonde Ale** Alberta, Canada \$16-18 (4-pack cans) CSPC 867006

Olds College Brewery Lowe Down All-Alberta Blonde Alberta, Canada \$14-16 (6-pack cans) CSPC 875514



Good Authority



CREAM ALES

The cream ale is what brewers refer to as a hybrid and this is why. All though the cream ale is an ale it is lagered an extra amount of time at a cooler temperature, it also can vary in colour based on the brewers preference, some more malt forward and others paler and lighter on the pallet. There were two stand outs with Good Mood's cream ale taking the top spot, and Siding 14's Switch Point honey cream ale as Judges Selection. Dave Gingrich



Siding 14 Brewing Switch **Point Honey Cream Ale** Alberta, Canada \$16-18 (4-pack cans) CSPC 865805





BEST IN CLASS

COLD GARDEN DANDELION'S BLONDE Alberta, Canada \$17-19 (4-PACK CANS) CSPC 784123



Banded Peak Brewing Fired Up Hazy Blonde Alberta, Canada \$18-20

(4-pack cans) CSPC 844559



Balzac Brewing

Back Yard Harvest British

Golden Ale

Alberta, Canada

\$20

(4-pack cans)

CSPC 845706

BEST IN CLASS



GOOD MOOD BREWERY CREAM ALE Alberta, Canada

\$17-19 (6-PACK CANS) CSPC 804438



We mill our grains, then mash, ferment, and distill them. We add crystal clear water drawn from mountain valleys. We blend in natural flavours using other farm fresh ingredients.



Pour a glass. And taste the dedication that turned a small family farm into a world-class distillery.

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