

Pale ales often fall in that middle ground between the bitterness of IPAs, the subtlety of blondes and lighter lagers, and the maltiness of amber and darker ales. Usually yellow to golden in colour, they are known for their balance between malt and hop flavours. They are often clear, but in recent years we have noticed the trend to slightly hazy or cloudy appearances. There is also a wider use of hop varietals, making this category a more exciting home for different flavour profiles. *Dave Nuttall*







JUDGES SELECTION



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