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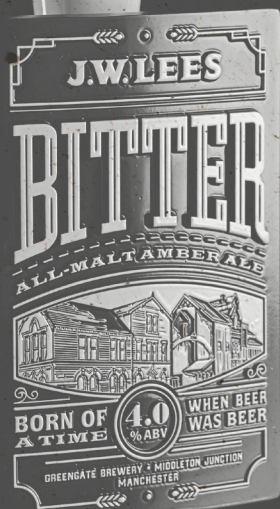
ONE BIG FAMILY OF BEERS

BEER RANGE 2024

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WHEN BEER
WAS BEER

MANCHESTER
CLASSIC



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We are born of a time when beer was beer,
when workers grafted under skies unclear.

The good John Lees of strong intention,
a pioneer, a man of invention.

He brewed his beer for greater good,
for workers toiling sweat and blood.

We've passed this craft from year to year,
from father to son, to grandchildren dear.

Never losing sight of who we are,
of what got us here, a northern star.

A restless spirit, a thirst for our craft,
cask ales fermented, served on draft.

Two hundred years so far apart,
yet joined by beers and a timeless art.

A traditional craft, a modern take,
another brew we're yet to make.

To future generations we do turn,
for their respect we look to earn.

LET'S RAISE A GLASS TO OUR NEW FAMILY OF BEERS, IN THE MAKING FOR OVER 190 YEARS.

In the past we've celebrated our beer ranges in separate brochures. In many ways this reflected our different approach to our seasonal beers. But we got to thinking that while our seasonal beers offer something different, they're born of the same idea, the same craft. So they now bear more than a passing resemblance to our core family of beers. As a wise person once said, 'Family is not an important thing. It's everything.'





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REFRESHING
GOLDEN ALE

GREENGATE




CORE RANGE



BORN OF A TIME WHEN BEER WAS BEER

Our all-malt amber bitter was first brewed in 1828 to satisfy thirsty Mancunians grafting in the workshop of the world. It soon became our most popular beer; and it's stayed that way. We make it using the finest quality ale and crystal malt, and Goldings hops, for a satisfying flavour and citrus aftertaste that's rewarded Northern graft for generations.

Style Bitter
Hops Golding
Malt British Palé Ale & Crystal

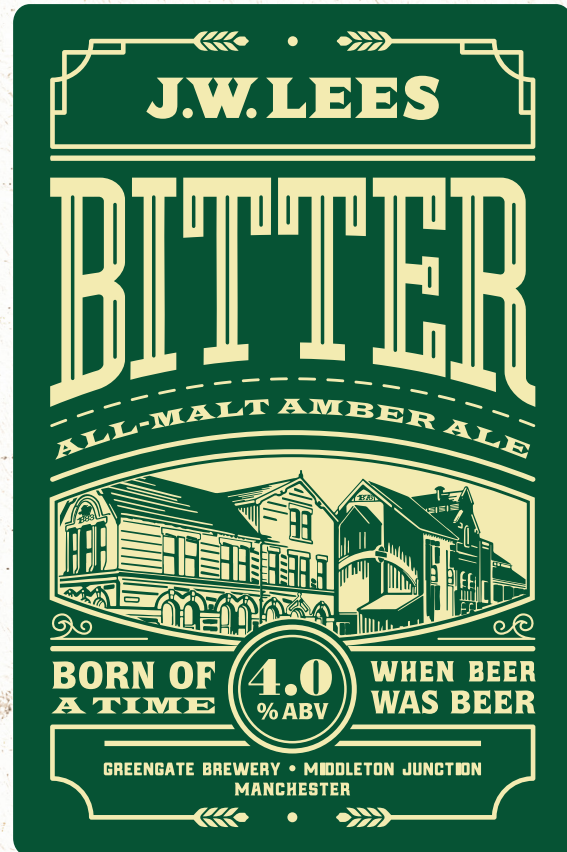
 Amber, Auburn
 Floral, Slightly spicy
 Clean, Dry

Bitter    
Sweet  

Available in

Cask ABV 4% (9 Gallon, 18 Gallon)

Keg ABV 3.9% (11 Gallons)






A POST-INDUSTRIAL MANCHESTER CLASSIC



Tony Wilson once said: “This is Manchester, we do things differently here” And he was right. Our refreshingly Mancunian pale ale gives ale lovers a similar hop-packed offering to its American equivalents. It’s a golden ale that’s made entirely from all-British malt, and Liberty and Mount Hood hops. It’s a post-industrial Manchester classic (as Wilson might have put it).

Style Pale Ale
Hops Liberty & Mount Hood
Malt All-British Malt

 Golden, Yellow
 Floral, Malty, Citrus
 Malt, Fruity

Bitter    
Sweet   

Available in

Cask ABV 3.7% (9 Gallon)
 Keg ABV 3.6% (11 Gallon)
 Bottle ABV 4.1%
 (8x500ml case)








IN THE HONOUR OF THE GOOD JOHN LEES

Breweries often used to hold back their extra special bitter for the Directors or Chairman, but we think everyone should enjoy our very best. Named in honour of John Lees, it's a colourful, well-balanced and full-bodied premium bitter, with a nutty finish. Our recipe makes use of ale and crystal malt, and Pilgrim and Goldings hops. The result is a prestigious beer with nothing held back, fit for the good man himself.

Style Premium Bitter
Hops Magnum
Malt British Pale Ale & Crystal

 Deep Auburn, Chestnut
 Malty
 Clean, Crisp

Bitter    
Sweet   

Available in

Cask ABV 4.5% (9 Gallon)






MADE WITH WISDOM AND EFFORT



Manchester helped drive the Industrial Revolution and shape the modern world. That spirit of innovation, enterprise and collaboration was given a symbol – the worker bee. We've celebrated the plucky bee, and the wisdom and effort of our citizens, by creating a golden-coloured beer with a creamy head and a big heart.

Style Premium Golden Ale
Hops Admiral, Cascade, Jester
Malt All British Malt

 Golden Ale
 Citrus, Tropical, Fruit
 Moreish, Tropical

Bitter    
Sweet  




Available in
 Cask ABV 4.5% (9 Gallon)
 Spring and Summer



FOR WORKERS TOILING SWEAT AND BLOOD

Dark beers used to be the workers' drink of choice after a day's toil, thanks to their light taste. Times have changed, but our CAMRA gold-winning Dark hasn't. Cask-ale fanatics love it for its smooth, well-rounded character, sweet undertones and full malty aftertaste. And modern workers still reach for it after a day at the digital coalface.

Style Dark Ale
Hops Pilgrim
Malt Chocolate & Crystal

 Mahogany
 Roasted, Creamy, Smooth
 Sweet, Soft, Chocolate

Bitter  
Sweet   

Available in

Cask ABV 3.5% (9 Gallon)
 Keg ABV 3.4% (9 Gallon)






LEGENDARY STRONG ALE



First brewed in 1950, our malty award-winning Moonraker is dedicated to a local legend. The story goes that farmers close to the JW Lees brewery once fell into a pond, attempting to rake out a reflection of the moon they mistook for a truckle of fine Lancashire cheese. This strong ale should be handled with care, but its fruity aroma and rich, sweet flavour are now the stuff of legends too.

Style Strong Ale
Hops Celeia
Malt Pale Ale & Chocolate

 Ebony
 Rich, Warming
 Fruity, Liquorice

Bitter     
Sweet    

Available in

Cask ABV 6.5% (9 Gallon)




Bottle ABV 6.5% (8 x 500ml case)



A PRODUCT OF NORTHERN SKIES

Manchester's rain is infamous, but it's made us who we are. Not only did it help create our textile industry, but it's inspired some of our greatest names, from Lowry to Morrissey to Michael (our Head Brewer). JW Lees Stout is a dark and brooding ale that takes its inspiration - and its main ingredient - from those same northern skies. Made with pride using the finest northern water.

Style Stout
Hops Golding
Malt Chocolate Malt, Malted Oats, Roasted Barley

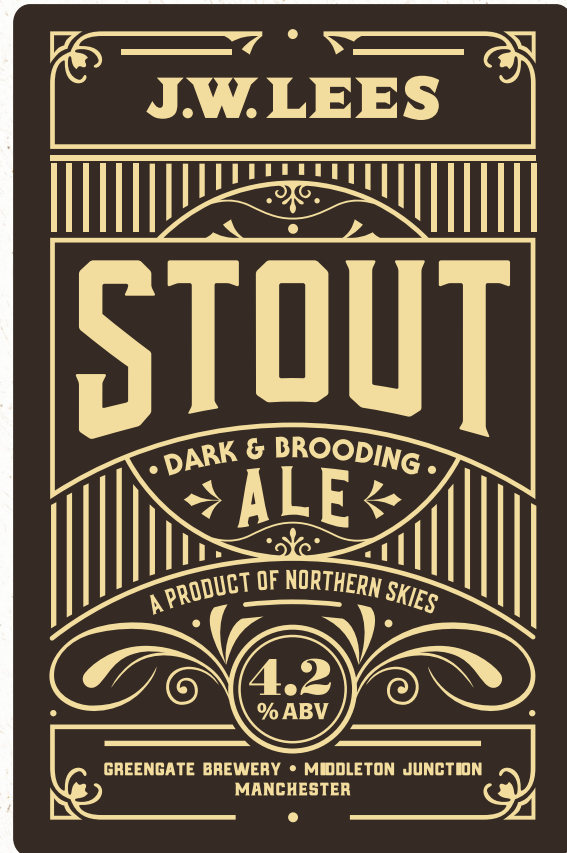
 Chocolate
 Roast, Hoppy
 Smooth, Creamy, Roast

Bitter    
Sweet   

Available in

Cask ABV 4.2% (9 Gallon)

Keg ABV 4.1% (11 Gallon)








AN ODE TO WALES



We take inspiration from all manner of things, some more local than others. Dragon's Fire is our all-malt ode to one of our favourite places when we're not brewing - the beautiful country of Wales, a home to our family of pubs and ancestors. Its name stems from its flaming amber colour and warming citrus aftertaste. Iechyd da.

Style Bitter
Hops Golding
Malt British Pale Ale

 Amber, Auburn
 Floral, Slightly spicy
 Clean, Dry, Moreish

Bitter    
Sweet    




Available in
 Cask ABV 4.0% (9 Gallon)



CHRISTMAS IN A GLASS

Every family has a few Christmas traditions and this one's ours. By using a blend of pale ale and crystal malt, Styrian Goldings hops and some festive, ripe-fruit flavours, we've created nothing less than Christmas in a glass, everybody loves it.

Style Fruity Ale
Hops Styrian Golding
Malt Pale Ale & Crystal

 Mahogany
 Fruit, Rich, Smooth
 Fruit, Sweet

Bitter   

Sweet   

Available in

Cask / ABV 4.8% (9 Gallon)



**AVAILABLE FROM
MID NOVEMBER TO
DECEMBER**

MADE BUT ONCE A YEAR

Our limited edition vintage barley wine is made but once a year. It's brewed with the very finest British malt and then we add the new season hops. Each vintage brings different flavours, which then evolve as they age, so no wonder it's gained a cult following among ale enthusiasts. Pop the date in your calendar.

Style Barley Wine

Each batch is unique



Molasses, Fruit



Toffee, Sherry, Rich

Other vintages available

Harvest Ale 2016 Vintage
Harvest Ale 2017 Vintage
Harvest Ale 2018 Vintage
Harvest Ale 2019 Vintage
Harvest Ale 2020 Vintage
Harvest Ale 2021 Vintage
Harvest Ale 2022 Vintage
Harvest Ale 2023 Vintage

Available in

Bottle ABV 11.0% (12x275ml case)



AVAILABLE FROM
DEC '24

KEG RANGE

SMOOTH & LIGHT



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SMOOTH & LIGHT

ALE

3.2
% ABV

MANCHESTER • MIDDLETON JUNCTION • GREENGATE BREWERY



AS SMOOTH AS NORTHERN WIT

Greengate ale is brewed especially for keg and the result is as smooth as northern wit and as light as bar banter. Amber in colour with a zesty and hoppy aroma, it's one of the finest thirst quenchers we make. In fact we like it so much that we put our brewery's name to it.

Style Smooth Ale

Hops Golding

Malt Pale Ale



Light Amber, Auburn



Floral, Slightly spicy



Clean, Dry

Bitter



Sweet



Available in

Keg ABV 3.2% (11 Gallon)



CONTINENTAL STYLE, CRAFTED IN MANCHESTER



More than a few craft lagers are named after the cities that created them, so we've added Manchester to that list using almost two centuries' worth of expertise in craft ale. We brew Manchester Craft Lager in small batches, giving it longer maturation to create a stronger, more flavoured lager that takes things up a notch or two.

Style	Small Batch Lager
Hops	Celeia, Saaz
Malt	All-British Lager Malt
	Golden
	Earthy, Citrus
	Smooth, Rich, Refreshing

Available in

Keg ABV 4.7%
(11 Gallon, 22 Gallon)






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MANCHESTER
CRAFT LAGER

REFRESHINGLY ORIGINAL

Our Original Lager recipe, nice and simple for a crisp, light taste. Brewed using only British malts, we use plenty of Styrian and Saaz hops and no additives before allowing longer than average for fermentation and maturation. This makes sure it's got just the right enticing hoppiness and depth when it reaches the glass.

Style Lager
Hops Styrian Golding, Saaz
Malt All-British Lager Malt

 Sunshine
 Soft Citrus, Light Aroma
 Crisp, Light, Refreshing

Available in

Keg ABV 4.0%
(11 Gallon, 18 Gallon)





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ORIGINAL
LAGER

4.0
% ABV




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AN ENDLESS THIRST QUENCHER



This clean lager is brewed with 100% British grown ingredients. Light lager is straw coloured with a light citrus aroma and features a subtle hop bitterness and hints of tropical fruit and mandarin. Light provides endless refreshment and drinkability, making it the perfect choice.

Style	Lager
Hops	Admiral, Jester
Malt	All-British Lager Malt

	Straw
	Mandarin
	Clean

Available in

Keg ABV 3.4%
(11 Gallon)



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