# Local Vermont Breweries

Plus a couple of not so local breweries that we think are worth the drive!

## KILLINGTON BEER COMPANY

Killington Beer is a new craft brewery and tasting room located at the Spa building in the Woods Resort, off the access road in Killington, Vermont. The spacious Pub and Game room offers 11 taps with draft beer and one cask beer engine and delicious eats to help you unwind! Enjoy a tour of the brewery at 2pm every Saturday!

**Address:** 53 Village Circle Rd, Killington VT
**Phone:** 833-522-2337
**Hours:** Friday to Sunday, 12pm to 8pm
**Website:** http://killingtonbeer.com/
**Distance:** 3.6 miles – 8 minutes

## LONG TRAIL BREWERY

Inspired by the 273-mile hiking trail that traverses through the Green Mountains, Long Trail Brewing Company has been a caretaker of Vermont craft beer since 1989. Back then the brewery—known as the Mountain Brewers—was a modest brew house tucked into the basement of the Old Woolen Mill in Bridgewater Corners, with the goal to brew an affordable, American-made alternative to the pricey exports that filled the shelves.

At the time, the craft brewing industry in America was on the rise and Vermont was better known for maple syrup than beer. In 1989, *Long Trail Ale®* hit the taps at local watering holes; blazing the trail for Vermont's craft brewing industry.

**Address:** 5520 US Rte. 4, Bridgewater Corners, VT
**Phone:** 802-672-5011
**Hours:** Daily from 11am till 6pm
**Website:** http://longtrail.com
**Distance:** 10.8 miles - 16 minutes

## RUTLAND BEER WORKS

Rutland restaurant Hop'n Moose expanded their brewing operations with this small 15 barrel brewery. Beer fans can sample a diverse selection of beer including the brewery's flagship Rutland Red.

**Address:** 136 Granger Street, Rutland VT
**Phone:** 802-665-7794
**Hours:** Tours by appointment only; tastings at Hop'n Moose
**Website:** https://rutlandbeerworks.com
**Distance:** 15.7 miles – 27 minutes

## FOLEY BROTHERS BREWING

Brothers Patrick & Daniel Foley started the brewery in 2012 & enlisted the help of their sister, Christine. (Fun fact, flagship double IPA, Fair Maiden, was named after Christine in appreciation for her work). Foley Brothers brew in small hand crafted batches, their 7.5 barrel brewery sits across from their tasting room (a vintage bar), and they offer a wide variety of styles including the coveted Prospect, Pieces of 8 and Fair Maiden.

**Address:** 79 Stone Mill Dam Rd, Brandon, VT
**Phone:** 802-465-8413
**Hours:** Wednesday to Saturday 11am to 5pm; Sunday 11am to 4pm
**Website:** https://foleybrothersbrewing.com
**Distance:** 28.5 miles - 42 minutes

## HARPOON BREWERY (BOSTON BORN, VT BREWED!)

Harpoon was started in 1986 by Dan Kenary, Rich Doyle, and George Ligeti. After traveling through Europe they decided to build a brewery so they could brew the beers they wanted to drink, and invite their friends to the brewery to drink it with them. In June of 1987, a warehouse space on the Boston waterfront was transformed into a brewery and the first Harpoon Ale was brewed. Craft beer began to really take off and Harpoon couldn't keep up with demand leading to the purchase of the former Catamount Brewery in Windsor, Vermont.

**Address:** 336 Ruth Carney Drive, Windsor
**Phone:** 802-674-5491
**Hours:** Sunday to Wednesday, 10am till 6pm; Thursday to Saturday, 10am till 9pm
**Website:** https://www.harpoonbrewery.com
**Distance:** 32.9 miles - 52 minutes

## OTTER CREEK BREWERY

Vermont's Otter Creek Brewing Company has been hitting, hopping and dosing brews with creativity since acid-wash jeans were hip. Following the addition of a state-of-the-art brew house and more canning capacity, the OCB Crew is continuing down the path of innovation, throwing a bit of kind into the kettle whenever possible.

**Address:** 793 Exchange Street, Middlebury, VT
**Phone:** 802-388-0727
**Hours:** Saturday to Thursday, 11am till 6pm; Fridays, 11am till 7pm with live music from 5pm till 7pm
**Website:** http://ottercreekbrewing.com
**Distance:** 45.7 miles – 1 hour, 7 minutes

## DROP IN BREWING

The Drop-In Brewing opened in 2012, a dream for Steve Parkes and Christine Mckeever-Parkes of Salisbury who purchased the prestigious American Brewers Guild nearly 20 years ago. Their dream became a reality when they acquired an old plumbing supply building on Route 7 South in Middlebury, Vermont. With over 30 years of commercial brewing experience, beginning with his own degree in brewing science at Scotland's Heriot-Watt University, Steve brews a variety of artisan beers.

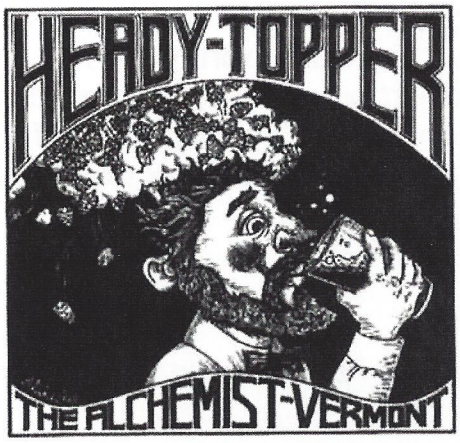
**Address:** 610 Route 7 South, Middlebury, VT
**Phone:** 802-989-7414
**Hours:** Monday to Saturday, 11am till 7pm; Sunday, 12pm-5pm
**Website:** http://dropinbrewing.com/
**Distance:** 43.2 miles – 1 hour

## RED CLOVER ALE CO.

Red Clover Ale will offer eight beers on draft along with cans and growlers to go. Seasonal rotations includes summery, farmhouse-style ales, springy saisons and stouts.

**Address:** 43 Center Street, Brandon, VT
**Hours:** Thursday, 4pm till 9pm; Friday & Saturday, 12ph till 9pm; Sunday, 12pm till 5pm
**Website:** http://redcloverale.com (website in progress)
**Distance:** 27.9 miles – 41 minutes

## THE ALCHEMIST




The Alchemist – home to arguably Vermont's most famous beer the Heady Topper – is top of the must visit list for beer tourists all over the world.

John and Jen Kimmich originally opened The Alchemist as a 60 seat brew pub in the village of Waterbury in 2003. In early 2011 they built the Alchemist Cannery, a 15 barrel brewery and canning line, for the production of their flagship IPA Heady Topper. The first cans of Heady Topper rolled off the line just two days after Tropical Storm Irene demolished The Alchemist Pub and Brewery. Heady Topper is brewed only in Waterbury, Vermont and is distributed within a 25 mile radius.

The Alchemist opened a new visitor's center in Stowe in July 2016. Their second year round beer, Focal Banger, is brewed in Stowe as well as seasonal beers that rotate throughout the year. The Alchemist Brewery and Visitor's Center in Stowe provides samples of beer for tasting, retail beer sales, merchandise and a fun, educational experience.

**Address:** 100 Cottage Club Rd, Stowe VT
**Phone:** 802-882-8165
**Hours:** Monday to Saturday, 11am till 7pm; Sunday, 10am till 4pm
**Website:** https://alchemistbeer.com
**Distance:** 80.2 miles – 1 hour, 34 minutes

## HILL FARMSTEAD BREWERY

Hill Farmstead is one of the country's most revered breweries and has been named best brewery in the WORLD for four years in a row from RateBeer, a brew-review website featuring the opinions of beer critics and aficionados from around the world.

HILL FARMSTEAD BREWERY

**Address:** 403 Hill Road, Greensboro, VT
**Phone:** 802-533-7450
**Hours:** Wednesday to Saturday,12pm till 5pm
**Website:** http://hillfarmstead.com/
**Distance:** 93.7 miles – 1 hour, 59 minutes