

PORTLAND PUB GUIDE

The Portland Oregon Visitor Association has a very nice brewery guide (http://www.pova.com/media/mbmedkit/mb_brew_guide.html) that lists places in Portland where you can find good beer. If you decide to go on the trail for quality ale, this guide will help you find your way to the best places in Portland.

Downtown Portland

All of these places are within walking distance (10 blocks) from the Governor Hotel

Henry's 12th Street Tavern

10 NW 12th St, Portland, OR

Ph: (503) 227-5320

Website: www.henrystavern.com/

Hours: 11AM-11PM Sun-Thu, 11AM-12AM Fri-Sat

From the POVA Guide:

Housed in a portion of the historic Blitz-Weinhard Brewery complex, Henry's has more than 100 draft beers, including a few dozen imports and almost 60 craft brews from around the country. The kegs chill in a glass cooler right above the bar. There's even a chilled strip that runs the length of the bar to keep cocktails, shots and pints cold.

Henry's is located 3 Blocks north and 1 block west of the Governor Hotel. Henry's features the widest selection of the larger craft brands on draft but they do not excel at stocking rare or hard to find offerings of NW brewing companies. Henry's offers some great happy hour food deals in their lounge from 3-6 daily and 9-close Sun-Mon, 10-close Tue-Thu, 10:30-close Fri-Sat. Henry's is a huge place featuring both a full size restaurant and lounge, but it can get quite crowded and they do not take reservations.

Higgins

1239 S.W. Broadway, Portland, OR

Ph: (503)222-9070

Website: higgins.citysearch.com/

Lunch: Mon-Fri, 11:15AM-3PM;

Dinner: Mon-Sat, 5PM-10PM; Fri-Sat, 11AM-11PM; Sun, 4PM-9PM;

Upscale downtown restaurant and bistro located 6 blocks south and 3 blocks east of the Governor Hotel, the bistro stocks one of the best selections of high quality imported European beers as well as some choice NW micros. The hours listed above are for the restaurant. The bistro usually stays open later than the kitchen and offers a smaller menu.

Rock Bottom Brewing Company

206 SW Morrison St, Portland, OR 97204

Ph: (503)796-BREW

Website: www.rockbottom.com

Hours: Open daily at 11AM, Happy Hour 4PM-6PM

From the POVA Guide:

Colorado's Rock Bottom Restaurants, Inc., operates 34 brewpubs around the country. The Portland location serves five ales, including Swan Island Lager, Volksweizen, Sunny Day IPA, Maltnomah Porter and Oregonic Amber. Cask-conditioned and specialty brews are served, as well. Upstairs there are five pool tables, which are free to play on before 4 p.m.

The Portland Rock Bottom is conveniently located on the Morrison street MAX line 9 blocks west of the Governor Hotel. They only serve beer that they brew on premise so the selection is at most five standard taps and a couple of seasonals. It would not be a surprise to see a Marzen (also known as an Oktoberfest) as a seasonal on tap during the conference.

McMenamins - Ringlers Pub

1332 W. Burnside, Portland, OR 97209

Ph: (503) 225-0627

Hours: 11:30AM-2:30AM

The McMenamin brothers were one of the pioneers in the establishment of the Northwest microbrewery beer scene when they opened Oregon's first post-prohibition combined brewery & pub in 1985. They have gone on to open over 50 locations across Oregon & Washington. The closest one of their ventures is located 3 blocks north and 3 blocks to the west of the Governor Hotel.

Rogue Brewing Company – Portland Pub

1339 NW Flanders, Portland, OR 97209

Ph: (503) 222-5910

Website: www.rogue.com

Rogue Brewing Company's Portland pub is located 6 blocks north and 3 blocks west of the Governor Hotel. They serve beers brewed and liquor distilled on premises as well as some selected guest taps.

Getting outside of Downtown Portland

Since we're talking about visiting places that feature good beer, it is strongly advised that you take Tri-Met to get to and from these places. Thus, the following entries will be grouped by the closest bus line that services each location and the entries will include directions and fare information on how to take public transit to these places from the Governor hotel.

Check the Tri-met website (www.trimet.org) for more information on how to get around Portland using public transportation.

Portland Streetcar

McCormick & Schmick's Harborside Pilsner Room

RiverPlace Marina District

0307 S.W. Montgomery St., Portland, OR 97201

Ph: 503-220-1865

Website: www.fullsailbrewing.com

Restaurant Hours: Daily, 11 a.m. to 1 a.m.

From the POVA Guide:

In 1992, Hood River's Full Sail Brewing Company opened a satellite brewing operation in downtown Portland. Located next door to McCormick & Schmick's Harborside Pilsner Room restaurant and overlooking the Willamette River and RiverPlace Marina, this small brewery has one of the city's best views. While the facility produces many of Full Sail 's specialty and seasonal beers — which are on tap in the adjacent Pilsner Room restaurant — it also serves as Full Sail's research and development center for new brews.

The Pilsner Room features Full Sail products, but also offers a number of NW and European beers. The Pilsner Room also offers a large selection happy hour food deals and truly does provide the best view of any the places included on this list.

Directions:

Board the Portland Streetcar at SW 11th & Alder. Get off at SW River & Moody. Walk north on SW River Street approximately .2 miles. The Pilsner Room is located in the building just north of the traffic circle at the end of SW River Street. Fare: Fareless Square – No charge

Tri-Met Bus #15 Westside - NW 23rd Ave

The New Old Lompoc

Northwest Portland/Nob Hill Neighborhood

1616 N.W. 23rd Ave., Portland, OR 97210

503-225-1855

Hours: M-Sa, 11 a.m. to 1 a.m.; Su, 4 p.m. to 1 a.m.

From the POVA Guide:

Yes, there was an Old Lompoc; this is the "new one," since 2000 under the ownership of local beer luminary Don Younger, owner of the legendary Horse Brass Pub. Housed in a 1912 building with a creaky wooden floor, the pub is funky, eclectic, warm and welcoming. The New Old Lompoc brews an average of 10 ales and lagers and serves four other craft beers on guest taps. On warm, sunny days, check out the hidden beer garden in back.

At The New Old Lompoc, you may run into fans of W.C. Fields. His 1940 film "The Bank Dick," about a heavy-drinking bank detective, was set ironically in Lompoc, Calif., a town originally founded as a temperance colony. The hotel in the film was named The New Old Lompoc House.

The New Old Lompoc is a laid back place at the north end of the trendy NW 23rd Avenue shopping district. They brew their own beers and if the weather is nice and you'd like to spend some time outside, the patio at the back of the building is rated as one of Portland's best.

Directions:

Tri-Met Bus #15 – NW 23rd Street

Board at SW 11th Ave & Alder. Get off at NW 23rd & Raleigh and walk ½ block north. To return, board the #23 southbound on NW 23rd & Raleigh and ride back to SW Salmon and 12th Avenue. Go 4 blocks north and 1 block east to get back to the Governor Hotel. Fare: 1-zone fare - \$1.50

Tri-Met Bus #15 Eastside - Belmont Street

Rose & Raindrop

532 S.E. Grand Ave., Portland, OR 97214

Ph: 503-238-6996

Website: www.roseandraindrop.com

Brunch (Sat. & Sun) 9AM-3PM

Lunch 11AM-4PM

Dinner 5PM-10PM

From the POVA Guide:

Supposedly haunted, the historic Barbur Blocks Building houses The Rose & Raindrop, another favorite locals' hangout. The pub serves up good food, reasonable prices, and craft and imported beers on nearly three dozen taps.

The Rose & Raindrop definitely has one of the best selections of craft beer on tap in Portland. However, this establishment is one of the smokier places on this list and those who have a low tolerance of cigarette smoke should definitely consider visiting another place.

Directions:

Tri-Met Bus #15 – Belmont

Walk 4 blocks south and 1 block east of the Governor Hotel. Board bus at stop located at SW Salmon & 10th Ave. Get off at SE Belmont & 7th Ave. Walk two blocks west and two blocks north. On the return trip go two blocks south from the R&R and board the #15 bus westbound at SE Morrison & Grand Ave.

The Blue Monk

Belmont Area/Sunnyside Neighborhood
3341 S.E. Belmont St., Portland, OR 97214
Ph: 503-595-0575
Website: www.thebluemonk.com
Hours: Mon-Sun 5PM-2AM

The Blue Monk offers one of the more eclectic collections of beers available in Portland. Many of the quality beers from across the world offered here are just not found in other places in Portland. But the Blue Monk is so much more than great place to get good beer. They offer live jazz, a full bar, an ample wine list, a smoke-free environment, and a full kitchen menu offered until 1AM along with their impressive beer selection.

Directions

Walk 4 blocks south and 1 block east of the Governor Hotel. Board bus at stop located at SW Salmon & 10th Ave. Get off at SE Belmont & 34th Avenue. To return to the Governor Hotel, go to SE Belmont & 34th Ave and board the #15 at the westbound stop and ride to SW 11th & Alder. Fare: 1-zone fare - \$1.50

Horse Brass Pub

Belmont Area/Sunnyside Neighborhood
4534 S.E. Belmont St., Portland, OR 97215
Ph: 503-232-2202
Website: www.horsebrass.com
Hours: Monday through Friday, 11AM-2:30AM
Saturday and Sunday, 10AM-2:30AM

From the POVA Guide:

Horse Brass features a traditional English pub menu and myriad American and imported craft beers on tap. In business for 30 years, the bar is proud of its long history with its sister pub, the Princess of Wales, in South London.

One of the first pubs to carry NW craft beers, the Horse Brass is as close as you can get to an English pub experience here in Portland. Featuring 50+ taps, the Horse Brass offers a large number of European beers on draught along with a considerable selection of NW beers. The menu features traditional British dishes like homemade pasties, bangers, Scotch eggs, English Ploughman's, and halibut and chips along with typical pub fare. In the mornings they serve a full English breakfast of eggs, potatoes, sausage, rashers (a British-style bacon similar to Canadian bacon), fried bread, stewed

tomatoes, and baked beans. The similarities in atmosphere don't stop there – They truthfully describe themselves as a “Smoke Friendly Pub” and just like a true English pub, the actual atmosphere can become quite smoky especially if the place gets busy.

Directions

Walk 4 blocks south and 1 block east of the Governor Hotel. Board bus at stop located at SW Salmon & 10th Ave. Get off in front of the Horse Brass at SE Belmont & 46th Ave. To return to the Governor Hotel, cross Belmont and board the #15 at the westbound stop and ride to SW 11th & Alder. Fare: 1-zone fare - \$1.50

MAX – Yellow Line

Widmer Gasthaus

955 N. Russell, Portland, OR 97227

Ph: (503)281-3333

Website: <http://www.widmer.com/>

Restaurant Hours

Sun-Thu 11AM-10PM (bar closes at 11PM)

Fri-Sat 11AM-11PM (bar closes at 1AM)

Groups of 5+ should call for reservations!

From the POVA Guide:

Kurt and Rob Widmer are beer legends. Among the pioneers of the craft beer renaissance, they grew from a tiny operation in 1984 to become Oregon's largest brewery and the 18th largest in the nation. Many beer drinkers know them for their award-winning Hefeweizen, still the best-selling craft beer in Oregon. The friendly Gasthaus, across the street from the brewery, serves burgers and German cuisine, including schnitzel, fondue and sausages cooked in Widmer's pale ale.

It should be no surprise that the bar offers more varieties of Widmer Beers on tap than any other place in the NW. They also offer their Wildwood Hard Cider and craft brewed Root Beer on tap at the Gasthaus.

Directions

MAX – Yellow Line

Walk one block east and one block south from the Governor Hotel and board a Yellow line MAX at the Library/SW 9th Ave stop. Get off at the Mississippi stop and follow the tracks approximately two blocks NE on N Interstate Ave to N Russell St. To return, re-board the southbound Yellow line at the Mississippi stop and get off at the Galleria/SW 9th Ave stop. Fare – 1-Zone \$1.50

Tri-Met Line #10 – NE 33rd Ave.

Concordia Ale House

3276 NE Killingsworth St., Portland, OR
phone: (503) 287-3929

A relative newcomer to the Portland Pub scene, Concordia Ale House opened in May of 2005 as a smoke-free establishment with 22 rotating taps featuring hard-to-find craft beers from across the country, as well as rare and wonderful European imports. Backing up the taps is a cooler filled with 130 bottled varieties. The food menu features pub fare (burgers, sandwiches, fries) as well as entrees such as ribs, chicken, and pasta.

Directions

From the Governor Hotel, walk 5 blocks east to the corner of 6th Avenue and SW Morrison Street. Board the northbound #10 NE 33rd Ave bus at the bus stop across from Pioneer Square. Get off the bus at NE 33rd & Killingsworth. To return, catch the #10 at the NW corner of NE 33rd & Killingsworth. Fare: 1-zone fare \$1.50

For more information

These are just a few of the places in Portland that feature great craft beer. You can check out other places at the following website:

Beer Advocate – Portland Directory

<http://beeradvocate.com/beerfly/city/16/>

If you have further questions about where to go to find great beer in Portland, feel free to contact me for more information.

Andrew Hamilton

hamiltoa@ohsu.edu

503-494-7527