

THE BEER DEMYSTIFIER *NEW YORK CITY FILES* 2009-2010

BREWERY PROFILE

The Gambrinus Company

Regional Brewery Group

[Beers are from several locations / contract brewed]

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Available in cask? – No.

Available in keg? – No.

Available in bottle or can? – Yes.

Who's who: President – Carlos Alvarez.

Notes: The Gambrinus Company was founded 1986 as an importer of Mexican beers, and has since acquired domestic breweries in the form of Pete's Wicked Ales, Spoetzl (Shiner brands), Bridgeport, plus has Italian lager Tappeto Volante (translation – Flying Carpet) brewed under contract by Menabrea in that country. Gambrinus has built a brewery in Berkely, California, to brew Trumer Pils.

Ratings

Each beer has been given a rating from one to five which should be interpreted as follows.

* Bland, one-dimensional, or tasting of cheap adjuncts – unenjoyable. Not recommended.

** Nothing special but may be worth trying if nothing better is available.

*** Good, recommended.

**** Great, highly recommended.

***** Exceptionally good, very highly recommended.

Ratings are based on personal taste although, in certain instances, outside evaluations have been used when a particular beer has not been sampled by the author/webmaster.

{S} after the beer name denotes seasonal availability.

• Domestic

Shiner Light (4.0%) *** < - LIGHT LAGER - > – Light lager, surprisingly flavorsome for the style.

Shiner Blonde (4.4%) ** < - STANDARD LAGER - >

Shiner Bock (4.4%) ** < - TRADITIONAL / DUNKLER BOCK - >

Pete's Wicked Rally Cap Ale {S} (5.0%) ** < - BLONDE ALE - > – A clean but boring session beer for the summer.

Pete's Wicked Strawberry Blond (5.0%) *** < - FRUIT BEER - > – An easy drinking fruit beer.

Shiner Kolsch (5.0% estimated) *** < - KÖLSCH - > – Crisp kölsch that could pass for an American blonde ale.

Pete's Wicked Ale (5.3%) ** < - ENGLISH BROWN ALE - >

Shiner Dunkelweizen (5.5% estimated) *** < - DUNKELWEIZEN - > – Chestnut colored, easy drinking, nutty beer.

Trumer Pils (5.5%) *** < - GERMAN PILSNER - > – A crisp German-style Pilsner, thirst quenching.

Pete's Wicked Wanderlust Cream Ale {S} (5.6%) ** < - CREAM ALE - >

Shiner Hefeweizen (5.6%) *** < - GERMAN WEISSBIER / HEFEWEIZEN - > – A light, cloudy wheat refresher. Uncomplicated.

- **Brewed in Italy**

Tappeto Volante (4.8%) * * < - BOHEMIAN PILSNER - >

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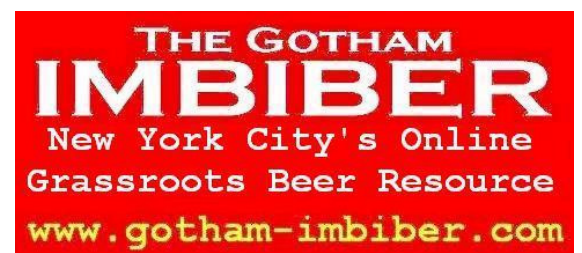
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