

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

BREWERY PROFILE

O'Hanlon's Whimple, U.K. (England)

Founded in London in the mid 1990s, O'Hanlon's moved 200 miles to the south-western county of Devon in summer 2000. Thomas Hardy's Ale is the famous strong ale from the defunct Eldridge Pope Brewery, brought back to life by O'Hanlon's.

Importer: [Phoenix Imports](#)

Distributor: Union Beer Distributors, tel. 1 718 497 2407.



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.

Wheat (aka Goldblade) (4.0%) *** < - ENGLISH PALE WHEAT ALE - > – Crisp and clean, citrus and spices are detectable.

Ruby Stout (aka Port Stout) (4.8%) **** < - DRY STOUT - > – Very dark brown ale, fruity with a port wine smoothness.

Organic Rye (5.0%) *** < - AMERICAN RYE BEER - > – Amber ale hinting of green apples and citrus, plus a touch of graininess.

Royal Oak (5.0%) **** < - EXTRA SPECIAL BITTER (ESB) - > – Deep amber with a rich malt backbone. Brewed with Optic pale, crystal, and torrified wheat malts, plus Challenger, Northdown and Goldings hops. A former Eldridge Pope beer resurrected.

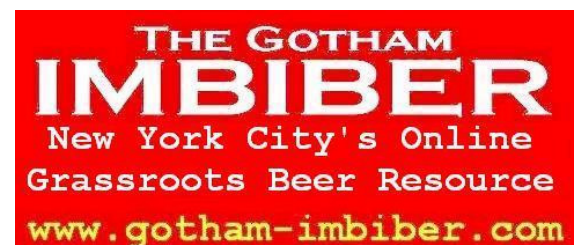
Thomas Hardy's Ale (11.7%) ***** < - ENGLISH BARLEYWINE - > – Indescribably complex, syrupy, warming strong chestnut-colored ale. Port and vine fruits warm the palate on every sip. This masterpiece of a beer is designed to improve with age for at least 25 years if cellared carefully.

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<http://www.beermenus.com/breweries/o-hanlons-brewery>

Ratings and tasting notes are taken from Beer Demystifier New York City 2008-2009 by Alex Hall (published June 2008).

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