

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

## BREWERY PROFILE

### Shipyard Brewing Co.

#### *Type: Domestic Craft Brewery*

86 Newbury Street, Portland, ME 04101.

Tel. 1 800 273 9253.

Available in cask? – By special arrangement.

Available in keg? – Yes.

Available in bottle or can? – Yes.

Distributor: S.K.I. Beer Corporation, tel. 1 718 821 7200.

Who's who: President – Fred Forsley; Brewmaster – Alan Pugsley.

Notes: Founded in 1994. Brews Old Thumper under licence from Ringwood Brewery, England. Ringwood is the strain of yeast used.

*Distance to the brewery from New York City: 318 miles.*



### Sea Dog Brewing Co.

[Owned by Shipyard; beers are brewed in more than one location]

26 Front Street, Bangor, ME 04401. Tel. 1 207 947 8004.

Available in cask? – No.

Available in keg? – Not locally.

Available in bottle or can? – Yes.

Who's who: See Shipyard.

Notes: Founded by Peter Camplin Sr. in 1993 in the maritime town of Camden, Maine, and now brewing at brewpubs in Bangor and Topsham. Beers are fermented with Ringwood yeast in open vessels.

*Distance to the brewery from New York City: 448 miles.*



## 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.

#### • Shipyard beers:

**Light** (3.2%) \*\* < - BLONDE ALE - >

**Brown Ale** (4.0%) \*\*\* < - AMERICAN BROWN ALE - > – Dark amber ale with hints of toasted malt.

**Pumpkinhead Ale** {S} (4.5%) \*\* < - PUMPKIN BEER - >

**Blue Fin Stout** (4.7%) \*\*\*\* < - DRY STOUT - > – Black beer with rich notes of roasted barley, coffee, and chocolate.

**Chamberlain Pale Ale** (4.9%) \*\*\* < - AMERICAN AMBER ALE - > – Copper-colored, light-bodied ale.

**Export Ale** (5.1%) \*\*\* < - AMERICAN PALE ALE - > – Orange amber ale with bread and butter aspects.

**Summer Ale {S}** (5.1%) \*\* < - AMERICAN PALE ALE - >

**Winter Ale Special Brew {S}** (5.3%) \*\*\*\* < - AMERICAN AMBER ALE - > – Copper-colored seasonal ale with plenty of toasted malt.

**IPA** (5.8%) \*\*\* < - AMERICAN IPA - > – Copper colored ale bittered entirely with Fuggles hops. There are hints of butter (diacetyl) and caramel.

**Old Thumper** (5.9%) \*\*\*\* < - EXTRA SPECIAL BITTER (ESB) - > – Dark amber-brown, and dominantly malty with notes of biscuit, butterscotch, and some esters.

**Prelude {S}** (6.8%) \*\*\*\* < - OLD ALE / WINTER WARMER - > – A dark brown, silky winter warmer with caramel. Hopped with Fuggles, East Kent Goldings, Cascade, and Tettnang.

- **Occasional and commemorative beers:**

**Longfellow** (5.8%) \*\*\*\* < - ENGLISH STRONG ALE - > – Dark brown winter ale with notes of butterscotch, chocolate, and toffee. This beer melds aspects of a porter with that of a Scottish ale.

**Brewers Reserve 2007 Honey Porter** (6.3%) \*\*\* < - ROBUST PORTER - > – Dark brown with notes of roasted malt, caramel, espresso, and a touch of honey.

- **Sea Dog beers:**

**Bluepaw Wild Blueberry Wheat Ale** (4.5%) \*\*\* < - FRUIT BEER - > – Golden and fruity, refreshing and slightly tart.

**Apricot Wheat Beer {S}** (4.6%) \*\* < - FRUIT BEER - >

**Windjammer** (5.0%) \*\*\* < - BLONDE ALE - > – A crisp, golden session beer.

**Pumpkin Ale {S}** (5.0%) \*\* < - PUMPKIN BEER - >

**Riverdriver Porter** (5.8%) \*\*\* < - ROBUST PORTER - > – Dark brown ale with hazelnut and chocolate notes.

**Old East India** (6.2%) \*\*\* < - AMERICAN IPA - > – A mild IPA with some citrus notes.

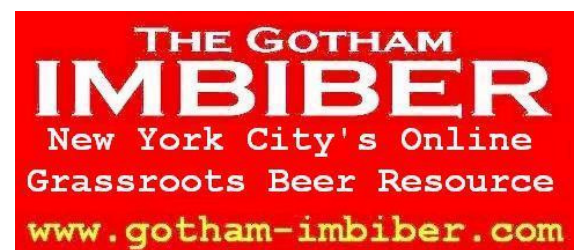
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*Ratings and tasting notes are taken from Beer Demystifier New York City 2008-2009 by Alex Hall (published June 2008).*

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