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# The 25 Best Summer Beers Will Get You Through This Heat

Expert-approved, swelter-breaking beers you can crush until temperatures reach reasonable levels again.



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The best summer beers are all sorts of things—frosty, flavorful, and imminently swiggable, to coin a word. But most importantly, they make whatever you're doing *feel* like summer. If you're not there already, sipping one should put you on a beach, sitting in a folding chair, wearing a loud **swimsuit**. Probably a group of friends around you, laughing at...an in joke? A good meme? Your swimsuit, but in a nice way? It's an image spun by years of advertising, and for a reason: This is what you want out of summer—and out of a summer beer.

So we asked a Yeti cooler's worth of bartenders, bar owners, and cicerones (that's a sommelier, but for beer) for the best summer beers they've ever had. The cans and bottles they turn to in order to in heat waves. Below, you'll find the 25 beers that our seven beer experts plan to crush this summer.

## TREADWELL PARK

“Hazy, super fruity 'juice bombs' are incredibly popular right now,” says Anne Becerra, certified cicerone and beer director for **Treadwell Park** in Manhattan. “But I really love the piney hop character of more traditional American pale ales.” 2SP's Back & Forth, she says, is a great middle point between the two styles. “You get tropical flavors of mango and orange alongside bold piney, grapefruit notes and a big smack of bitterness to tie it all together. It's really well balanced and delicious.”