



# BUZZ PICKS



**JOEY**

## De Proef Reinaert

9.0% ABV, Belgian Strong Pale Ale

Brettanomyces is the black sheep of the brewing yeast family. Considered a spoilage bacteria by many breweries and wineries, Brettanomyces has only really gotten appreciation from esoteric French wineries, in small amounts, up until recently. With the voracious appetite of American brewers and their endless pursuit of boundary pushing concoctions a revolution has brought Brett back into the fold for many brewers around the world. De Proef, "The Professor", is the production brewery of Dirk Naudts in Lochristi, Belgium and his nickname in the brewing industry. Reinaert is a Belgian Strong Golden ale that packs all of the fruity and funky complexities that the wild spoilage bacteria is known for. The beer was so popular after its initial release that it spawned a series of De Proef beers known as the "Flemish Primitives".

*"A hidden gem in our selection of Belgian ales, Reinaert is not for the faint of heart or those unfamiliar with the wild, rustic and funky character imparted by Brettanomyces. The trappist beer Orval is a great place to test the waters before getting into more intense Brett beer experiences like Reinaert."*



**AUGUSTINE**

## Mythos Red

5.5% ABV, European Dark Lager

Mythos got their start in 1970 as Henninger Hellas, the way many of the world's larger breweries did, selling and producing German beers. In the 1990s a series of ownership changes and name changes the Mythos brewery was born as well as Mythos Lager, in order to create a genuine domestic brewery in Greece. Mythos is now part of the Carlsberg group and the second largest brewery in Greece. In addition to Mythos Lager, the brewery also produces the award-winning Red. With a rich malt flavor laced with caramel, toast and fresh baked goods balanced by a light herbal hoppiness, Mythos Red is easy drinking without sacrificing flavor.

*"I don't drink too many dark beers, but I like Mythos. This is a good dark red beer that goes down smooth."*



**AUSTIN**

## Left Hand 400lb. Monkey

6.7% ABV, English-style IPA

Spawned from one Left Hand brewer's aggravation with the "bigger is better" mentality of American IPAs, 400lb. Monkey is an exercise in bold flavors with noticeable balance. Designed to be a beer with intense flavors without the enamel stripping qualities that make American IPAs such a love/hate affair, 400lb. Monkey is a great introduction to the world of hoppier beers, or a nice change of pace for a burned out hophead.

*"400 Pound Monkey is a great IPA from Left Hand Brewery. I had this beer around this time of year last year and it was absolutely perfect. It's truly one of the most balanced IPAs I have ever had. This beer will remind you of the crispness of autumn through its hops and the malts will provide you a sense of warmth as the temperature drops."*



**JOSE**

## Well's Banana Bread Beer

5.2% ABV, English Bitter

With the idea of beer being "liquid bread" in mind, the brewers of Wells & Younds LTD. bring us Banana Bread Beer. Brewed with bready, nutty malts along with spicy, herbal hops and the addition of fair trade bananas, Well's Banana Bread Beer deliver on the promise the name suggests.

*"I really like banana bread and this beer drew my interest. I mean, what is better than drinking your dessert?"*