

# News

Tisbury Brewery logo  
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## High Hopes in Tisbury

Stephen Jay, the brewer at the 10-barrel brew length Tisbury Brewery which was set up last March, has crafted some really excellent ales to 'Rheinheitsgebot'.

All three beers: 'Tisbury Best', 3.8% ABV; Archibald Beckett, 4.3% ABV; and 'Old Wardour', 4.9% ABV are brewed with a combination of Maris Otter pale, crystal and amber malt, from Beeston of Nottingham. Their quenching balance of maltiness is matched by an abundance of citric fruit and hoppiness from the careful blending of Goldings and Bramling Cross. An insatiable demand for Tisbury beer led to the brewery running dry last May, even though only one of the five pubs in Tisbury sold the local brew!

This happy situation was rectified only by brewing five times in as many days and a 'marathon' that incorporated an 18-hour non-stop brewing and racking session.

Armed with a Charles Wells' yeast strain, 30 barrels a week are now brewed

from the brewery and the initial teething problems due to a yeast infection have thankfully been overcome.

Tisbury beer is available from selected local hosterries, through the Beer Cellar; the Brewers' Dray (of London); Tap & Spile and Greenalls.

Given another sweltering summer, the 2 year end production target of one hundred barrels per week could well be met within eighteen months.

## Organically

GOLDEN Pale, brewed by Edinburgh-based independent Caledonian, has been confirmed as winner of a Soil Association award. Golden Pale came out top in the Soil Association's organic foods award (cold and alcoholic drinks category) at the Good Food Show in Birmingham.

The award adds to a glittering 12 months for the brewery, described by the world's top beer writer, Michael Jackson, as "a living working museum of beer making." Golden Pale took first place in the beer and cider category at the 1987 Good Food Show, as well as victory in the prestige Catering Magazine awards. Caledonian was also voted "Brewery of the Year" in the World Beer Awards.

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