

## Thornbridge Hall Country House Brewery

Derbyshire, United Kingdom

### Brewery Description:

It all started in the Autumn of 2004 when the idea of brewing their own beers was brought up between friends. By the spring of 2005 they had begun brewing a couple of beers on a fairly regular basis and by the summer they had brewed Jaipur for the first time – 2 months later it won the first ever Beer Festival they entered. This was the start of what would become one of the countries most innovative young breweries.

As their reputation grew, so did their sales and within a year they had a good portfolio of beers including another current favourite Saint Petersburg. By September 2009, they had accumulated over 100 industry awards. Alongside the two Brewery Directors, there are now 15 people involved in the day to day operation and the business is on course to brew over 2 million pints during 2010.



## Halycon Green Hop

■ Beer Collection

The Halycon Green Hop is a version of our regular Halycon. Its uniqueness is in the process of dry hopping in maturation tank with green Target cones delivered fresh straight from a Herefordshire farm (this year's is Mr Capper's). The aroma reflects the hop variety and is full of pineapple, fruit, pine resin, peel. In the mouth it's hoppy, slightly astringent, good malt backbone and lingering pithy bitterness. It's bottle refermented. As a malt we use solely Maris Otter in this beer



This is the second year we make it. We brew it around end of august so it's ready to be put on green hops in september/october when the hops are picked. The idea is to showcase a hop variety much like in wines where you get the varietal character. so far it's been Target but I would like to expand the range with Bramling Cross and other English hops. If the green hops are used on the hot side say at the end of the boil the more volatile oils will escape and maybe those are the most important from a variety character point of view. Using them on the cold side [=dry-hopping] you get to preserve all the aroma components. The 2010 is an improvement to last year's and for the 2011 version I'm looking at technology that can allow us to further improve and refine the extraction of the aroma.

Not to be released before April of the following

year: We make a big fuss out of this aspect.

No.1 The Target hops are shipped overnight and we use them first thing in the morning. This is very important

No.2 With regards to release, the beer has been lagered at 0 degrees celsius[= 32 F] for an extended period of time to achieve an acceptable clarity since we do not filter in order to retain all those complex flavours.

In addition, it is bottle refermented which requires an additional time in warm room followed by residence in cold store for a minimum period prior to release

### Product Details

Style	Imperial IPA
Alc./Vol.	7.7%
O.G.	1072.4
Plato	20
IBU	65
Malts	Maris Otter pale ale malt.
Hops	Warrior and Hallertau Magnum hops for bittering, then Hallertau Brewers Gold, Spalter Select and Perle for aroma.

### Tasting Notes (by Roger Protz)

Appearance	"Straw-coloured"
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Aroma	"The beer has a superb aroma of spicy hop resins, a fresh tobacco smokiness, orange fruit and sappy malt."
Flavor	"Tart orange fruit, bitter hops and juicy malt dominate the palate"
Finish	"a long dry finish with citrus fruit, smoky notes and a final herbal, grassy character."

Available Formats:

- 12 \* 16.9 oz bottles
- 40L casks (Winter Only)

## Jaipur IPA

■ Beer Collection

Won Champion Beer of Britain Gold Medal Strong Bitter at the Great British Beer Festival on the 5th August 2008:

"Wonderful India Pale Ale has a beautiful light golden appearance. On the nose, sweet citrus notes prevail reminiscent of candied lemon peel and combine deliciously with hints of sun-drenched tropical fruits. To taste, the immediate impression is soft and smooth but this rapidly builds around the mouth to a crescendo of massive hoppiness accentuated of honey."

An enduring, bitter finish.



### Product Details

Style	India Pale Ale
Alc./Vol.	5.9%
IBU	50
Malts	Maris Otter pale ale malt and Vienna malt, with Ahtanum
Hops	Centennial, Chinook, and Warrior hops.

### Tasting Notes (by Roger Protz)

Appearance	"Pale gold"
Aroma	"a massive peaches-and-cream malt aroma backed by grassy, floral hop resins and fresh wood sap."

### Legend

- Beer Collection
- Cider & Perry
- Keg Collection
- Sake & Yuzu Wine
- Real Ale Collection
- Mead
- Vintage Collection
- Spirits

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### Tasting Notes (by Roger Protz)

<b>Flavor</b>	"It's intensely bitter in the mouth - iron-like or iodine - with juicy malt and ripe grapefruit."
<b>Finish</b>	"The finish is bitter, hoppy and malty with a big citrus/grapefruit note. Complex and rewarding."

### Available Formats:

- 12 \* 16.9 oz bottles
- 30L kegs
- 40L casks (Winter Only)

## St. Petersburg Imperial Stout

### Beer Collection

Rich and dark with smoke, subtle peatiness and the power of the dark malts. Molasses and liquorice and chocolate goodness all wrapped up in a smooth, warming liquid. Finishes with a distinct humming bitterness carried well by the hop and malt combo.



### Product Details

<b>Style</b>	Russian Stout
<b>Alc./Vol.</b>	7.7%
<b>IBU</b>	65
<b>Malts</b>	Maris Otter pale ale malt, torrefied wheat, dark crystal and chocolate malts, peated malt, roast barley and dark Muscovado sugar.
<b>Hops</b>	The bittering hops are Galema and Perle and the aroma hops are Hallertau Magnum, Sorachi Ace and Vanguard.

### Tasting Notes (by Roger Protz)

<b>Aroma</b>	"Enormous aroma of herbs, spices, fresh yeast, malted loaf, coffee and liquorice."
<b>Flavor</b>	"Sweet grain and espresso coffee dominate the mouth with bitter and spicy hops, roasted grain and dark, burnt fruit."
<b>Finish</b>	"The finish is bittersweet, with peppery hops, roasted grain, liquorice and dark fruit."

### Available Formats:

- 12 \* 16.9 oz bottles
- 40L casks (Winter Only)

## Kipling

### Beer Collection

Shortly after the brewery started, a phone call was received from a woman, now in her thirties, who had lived at the Hall and revealed that her father had been the building's caretaker. She asked about where the brewery was and she said this area was known as Kipling by local children to an area of the estate at Thornbridge Hall. Children growing up at the Hall called the area where they had their play-school in as Kipling - due to a window in the building that was reputed to come from the caravan owned by Rudyard Kipling the author.

The beer is single hopped with Nelson Sauvin, making Thornbridge the first brewery in the UK to use this - others have followed but Kipling remains unsurpassed! Which keeps Kipling as a favourite Thornbridge beer!



### Product Details

<b>Style:</b>	South Pacific Pale Ale
<b>Alc./Vol.:</b>	5.2 %
<b>O.G.</b>	1050
<b>IBU</b>	50
<b>Malts</b>	Maris Otter Pale Ale, Munich Malt, Torrefied Wheat
<b>Hops</b>	Nelson Sauvin hops

### Tasting Notes

<b>Appearance:</b>	Golden blonde beer
<b>Aroma:</b>	an exquisite passionfruit, gooseberry and mango aroma
<b>Flavor:</b>	initial sweetness and full body
<b>Finish</b>	lasting grapefruit-like bitter finish.

### Available Formats:

- 12 \* 16.9 oz bottles

## Hopton Bitter

### Beer Collection

From assistant brewer, "Kiwi" Kelly Ryan:

"Hopton is brewed using Pilgrim as the initial

bittering hop and then Bramling Cross from Tony Redsalls hop farm in Herefordshire as the second bittering and aroma hop. We hand-picked the hops from his farm as they were a lot better than any other Bramling Cross we had nosed. We use Vienna, Amber and Maris Otter Pale Ale malt in this beer."

### Product Details

<b>Style</b>	English Pale Ale
<b>Alc./Vol.</b>	4.3%

### Tasting Notes

<b>Appearance</b>	"A burnt gold English Pale Ale brewed with the latest crop of Pioneer and Bramling Cross hops.
<b>Aroma</b>	"Some malt present in the nose with a hint of lime and lemon peel."
<b>Flavor</b>	"Medium bodied with some biscuit character and more citrus present in the mouth."
<b>Finish</b>	"The finish shows a clean bitterness with a touch of lingering grassiness."

### Available Formats:

- 40.9L casks

## Bracia

### Beer Collection

A velvety, rich ale generously infused with dark and bitter chestnut honey. Aromas of cappuccino, chocolate, fresh peel, licorice and hazelnuts with a little peat in the finish.



### Product Details

<b>Style</b>	Specialty Brew
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### Legend

- Beer Collection
- Cider & Perry
- Keg Collection
- Sake & Yuzu Wine
- Real Ale Collection
- Mead
- Vintage Collection
- Spirits

## Thornbridge Hall Country House Brewery [Continued]

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### Product Details

<b>Alc./Vol.</b>	10%
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### Tasting Notes

<b>Aroma</b>	Aromas of cappuccino, chocolate, fresh peel, lico-rice and hazelnuts
<b>Finish</b>	a little peat in the finish

Available Formats:

- 12 \* 16.9 oz bottles

### Product Details

<b>Hops</b>	Warrior , Centennial, Nelson Sauvin and Sorachi Ace
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### Tasting Notes

<b>Appearance</b>	pours black as night
<b>Aroma</b>	as a beautiful intense aroma of pine and sweet roasted malt, citrus and blackcurrants.
<b>Flavor</b>	a complex combination of bitter chocolate with pineapple and orange
<b>Finish</b>	a long bitter finish

Available Formats:

- 40.9L casks

## Merrie

Beer Collection

A wonderfully fragrant rich brown Christmas ale. Luscious herbal notes on the nose, a touch of bay leaf and organic cola with underlying caramel. Resinous and smooth in the mouth with a touch of smokiness and clean, warming finish. This beer has been brewed with local lavender, a herb known for its soothing and calming properties.

### Product Details

<b>Style</b>	English Style Holiday Seasonal
<b>Alc./Vol.</b>	5.9%

Available Formats:

- 40.9L casks

## Raven Black

Beer Collection

Raven is a massively hopped Black IPA. It pours black as night, has a beautiful intense aroma of pine and sweet roasted malt , citrus and blackcurrants. Flavours are a complex combination of bitter chocolate with pineapple and orange preceding a long bitter finish.

It has an aggressive bitterness that works perfectly with a medium malt body. This beer is a pleasure from the first aroma hit until the end of the pint and definitely make you want to come back for more.

### Product Details

<b>Style</b>	Black IPA
<b>Alc./Vol.</b>	6.6%
<b>Malts</b>	Maris otter, Munich, Chocolate and Black Malts



### Legend

Beer Collection	Cider & Perry
Keg Collection	Sake & Yuzu Wine
Real Ale Collection	Mead
Vintage Collection	Spirits