



Here at the Cork 'n' Cap at Mersea Island Vineyard, we strive to provide our customers with local quality produce. All of our wide range of products are produced and sourced within the Eastern Anglia region. For more information, please contact our manager Val, by calling her on 07707 879701, or email her using val.hockley@outlook.com

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Local Real Ale

Mersea Island Brewery

Island Gold – A light Lager style ale, made with Lager malt, and a blend of carefully selected hops, to achieve a sweet and refreshing flavour, 4.4%

Island Yo Boy – A session bitter and by far the most popular beer from this brewery. The recipe includes Cara malt, giving it a smooth flavour. The bitterness comes from the cascade hops, 3.8%

Island Skippers – A dark amber coloured best bitter made using Cara and roasted malts, 4.8%

Island Mud – A smooth and dark mild, which is locally loved for being close to a traditional dark mild, 3.7%

Island Oyster – With three dozen freshly shucked oysters added to the beer towards the end of the boil, chocolate and roasted malts are used to create the rich flavour and oats to give it its thick body, 5.1%

Colchester Brewery

Metropolis – A superb golden hoppy beer with enormous depth of flavour and a long spicy finish, 3.9%

Lockdown – A golden amber ale, with a fruity flavour from light crystal malts and Amarillo malts. The ABV gives Lockdown a full and smooth mouthfeel, 4.9%

Number One – Copper in colour. Whole leaf Boadicea hops for flavour and aroma of East Kent Goldings, 4.1%

Sweeney Todd – A full flavoured best bitter with a deep red hue. Roasted malt body with delicate fruit and floral flavours from Willamette hops, 4.2%

George's Brewery – All Vegan

Child of the Jago APA – USA hops Simcoe, Citra, Mosaic and Centennial make this golden coloured APA a very feisty brew. Its aromatic on the nose with monster hops on the tongue, 4.4%

Wallasea Wench – Pale copper and lightly hopped, this is a smooth easy drinking session beer. The name started as a joke from Hilary H, manager of Wallasea's Wild Coast project and the name and the beer stuck, 3.6%

Cockleboats Best Bitter – Deep copper in colour and brewed using five malts. Two American hop varieties make this a juicy session ale that goes really well either on the front at Leigh-on-Sea with a pint of Leigh's own cockles, or watching the cricket in the park, 4%

Crouch Vale

Brewers Gold – A pale, refreshing and uncompromisingly hoppy beer with gorgeous aromas of tropical fruits, bitter-sweet mouthfeel, and a lasting hop presence, 4%

Amarillo – A golden premium ale, with a wonderful spicy aroma, and a full juicy malt mouthfeel, and an extremely long bitter hops finish, 5%

Essex Boys – A classic best bitter and a firm favourite with the Essex folk from the River Stour to the Thames, 3.8%

Shalford Brewery

Levelly Gold – A refreshing golden ale made with Firs Gold hops, a thirst-quenching alternative to lager, 4%

Hyde Bitter – An amber coloured bitter brewed to produce a full-bodied beer with a warm malty undertone, 4.7%

Stoneley Bitter – An award winning medium brown beer with a well-balanced flavour of malt and hops, 4.2%

Bishop Nick

Martyr APA – Washington native hops Willamette and Simcoe take a stage to deliver a symphony of spicy floral bitterness, supported by a sweet malty back bone, 5%

Ridley's Rite – English fuggles and goldings do a sterling job of balancing crystal and pale ale malts, working their hops off for a floral aroma and a satisfying bitterness that is subtle, 3.6%

Heresy – A golden ale produced using a top notch pale ale malt and challenger hops commit the brew to spicy bitterness before goldings set about delivering citrus and florals, 4%

1555 – A sweet nutty amber ale underlined by the ginger and fruit of styrian goldings, 4.3%

Divine – Perfected over six generations of master brewers, this ale is a nod to a classic Ridley's recipe. A festival of English flavours featuring spice, nuttiness and caramel, nicely balanced with a mellow hoppiness. Pours dark amber with a deliciously dense creamy head and a warming malt aroma, 5.1%

Local Wine

Mersea Island Vineyard

Island Dry (2019) – A crisp and dry white wine, made using Reichensteiner grapes grown on the vineyard. This wine has notes of citrus giving it a fresh tasting acidity, and it makes an excellent condition to any meal with fish or white meat, 11.5%

Mehalah (2019) – A dry white wine bursting with aromatic flavours of elderflower. The wine is ideal either as an aperitif or served with fish or white meat, 11.5%

Summer Days (2019) – A medium dry white wine, made from Muller Thurgau grapes grown on the vineyard, with a small amount of residual grape sugar, making this wine easy drinking on any occasion, 11%

Blush (2020) – A light and refreshing, easy drinking wine made from Muller Thurgau and Red Pinot Noir grapes, This wine has a full summer fruit flavour, and will compliment a whole range of foods on any occasion, 11%

New Hall Vineyards – All Vegan

Bacchus – An off dry style true favourite grown from the largest and oldest plantation of Bacchus in the UK. Elderflower, red apples, and melon on the nose, with ripe apricots and pineapple on the finish

Barons Red (2020) – A blend of red berries packed with cherry and violet aromas with summer berries and a hint of oak prevailing on the palate, 11%

English Rose (2019) – Classic flavours of strawberries and cream with intense notes of cassis and raspberries on the finish. Perfect for a sunny afternoon in the garden, 11%

Classic Brut (2018) – This traditional method sparkling wine has aromas of pear and ripe apricots, with crisp apple and floral notes on the middle palate. The finish is rich, creamy and lingering with autolytic characters of brioche and caramel prevailing, 12%

English Rose Brut (2018) – A traditional method English sparkling wine made from Pinot noir, gently pressed to extract the highest quality juice. Summer berry flavours prevail, supported by rich cassis, creamy characters enhanced by a lively mousse, 12.5%

Elderflower Fizz – A delightfully effervescent, light and refreshing sparkling Elderflower, produced from hand picked wild elderflowers from our Round Meadow. The mousse is a result of secondary fermentation in the bottle. A fantastic alternative to drier styles of fizz, 12%

Purlai Gold – Handpicked fruit from the oldest Bacchus and Schonburg vines in England have been carefully whole-bunch pressed and aged in chestnut barrels to produce a rich and sweet luscious digestif...Perfect with an after-dinner cheeseboard or paired with smoked charcuterie, 13.5%

Prettyfields

Bacchus – A fresh white wine with delicate notes of elderflower and gooseberry. This balanced vintage delights the palate with a long finish that draws out sweet pineapple and grapefruit, 12.5%

Pinot Noir – A medium-bodied dry red with aromas of blackberry, black cherry and peppery spice. The palate shows ripe blackcurrant and red berry flavours with herbaceous character held together with good tannin structure and a smooth, smoky, velvety finish, 12%

Rose – Coral pink in colour, this elegant medium dry rose is summer in a bottle with fragrances of gardenia, raspberry and lychee with a full palate making it ideal for year-round drinking. Linger over its fresh gooseberry and apple flavours and smooth finish with a hint of vanilla fudge, 12%

Local Cider

The Big Bear Cider Mill

Sparkling Essex Cider – Clear, golden, sparkling cider with a sweet clean apple taste, with a long fermentation to ensure the full cider characteristics develop, 5.4%

Local Spirit

Oystermen Gin

London Dry Gin – Crafted on the North Essex shores using coastal botanicals, smooth tasting and perfectly balanced, with a subtle hint of Spanish lemons and a dash of pepper. Sip over ice or enjoy with your favourite tonic, 42%

Persian Pomegranate Gin – Persian Pomegranate and hibiscus flowers combine with apple and our signature Oyster Leaf to create this dry, smooth, crisp pink gin. Enjoy neat over ice or with your favourite mixer. A taste from the North Essex Coast, 38.1%

English Spirit – Master Distillers

The English Single Malt Whiskey – A gentle aroma with hints of vanilla and tropical fruits. Like a soft whipped vanilla ice cream. Melts on the palate. Slightly nutty with a long malty finish. Finish is clean and dry and slightly salty, 43%

English Toffee Vodka – A long time ago, before toffee was made with dairy, it was made with caramelised sugars - we have opted for the old-fashioned route, blending an ensemble of five caramels with our vodka made from sugar beet. Smooth layers of toffee, with a rich mouth feel, but not too sweet or cloying. Great sipped over ice; drizzled over an ice cream sundae; or straight and chilled next to your favourite crème caramel, 25%

Chocolate Chilli Vodka – A racy luxury where milk chocolate richness where milk chocolate richness is given a pique of spice, but only just enough to heighten its velvety delight. Serve chilled or over ice with a sprig of mint or a thin slither of tarragon; pop into hot chocolate or espresso for a warming treat or pop it up a bit with a one to one mix some cream soda and a fresh slice of orange, 25%

Old Salt Rum – The first commercially produced rum in the UK, made by fermenting pure molasses, which is then triple distilled to grab the quintessential flavours of rum; raisins, cracked caramel, and a touch of banoffee pie; no salt added. Matured in English oak casks, serve neat, or with ginger beer, ice and a chunk of lime, 42%

English Spiced Rum – A true collector's spirit. Exceedingly small batch English Rum made solely with sugar cane and infused with citrus zests, red cherries and red hibiscus flowers. Utterly superb with a chunk of ice or with two slices of ginger and a half-hand of fresh mint, 42%

Caramel Rum – Caramel doesn't come better than this: a divine tango of the original English rum and old-fashioned caramelised sugars. The rich caramel heightens the finesse of our small batch rum, distilled in our copper alembics from our, treacly molasses. Gorgeous notes of sticky toffee pudding, with a hint of Christmas cake and a silky-smooth mouthfeel. Sip it neat, with your favourite dessert, try it with cream soda or slipped into an espresso, 25%

Dr.J's Gin – A rare sip indeed: a true distilled gin. Made from our own sugar beet vodka, Dr.J believes firmly that the simple pleasures are often the most organic, which is why a minimal selection of botanicals have been chosen. An ensemble of Jupiter, coriander, macadamia nut and citrus zests come together to produce an emergent taste experience. Serve one to one with tonic, crushed ice and a couple of salted capers, 45%

Limongino – A nod to an Italian classic; but with fresh lemons and a gorgeous gin. Freshly zested lemons and their juice are paired within minutes of preparation with a superb small batch distilled lemon gin, with a lick of English Sugar added. Two and a half lemons go in every bottle: the result is a zesty, juicy and truly lemon-y delight. Serve cold from the fridge in a chilled glass, or add a measure to your favourite bubbly for some English Zing, 22%

Coffee Liqueur – We love our coffee: so we've pulled out all the stops to deliver this roasted sable gem. We distil our own bespoke blend of arabica beans with our creamy sugar beet vodka, before pairing with a slow cooked sous vide blend, to grab every last note of aromatic, fruity, malt-creamy goodness. Perfectly engineered for an espresso martini, sip it neat for the fullest flavour; or use it to add another dimension to your coffee, 25%

Essex Spirit Company

British Grain Vodka – 40%

Essex Citrus Dry Gin – 40%

Essex Rhubarb and Vanilla Gin – Made using rhubarb juice from north Essex, this is a botanically balanced and traditional Gin made using only natural ingredients and cut to strength with tart rhubarb juice and pure vanilla essence and then subtly sweetened with golden syrup, 40%

Summer Cup – Made using hand-picked, seasonal, berries from local farms. We soak fresh seasonal berries in a traditional gin recipe before adding a blend of sweet orange peel, herbs and a touch of sugar to create a beautifully balanced and fruit forward summer fruit cup, 40%

Jumbo Gin

Hand Crafted Gin – Small batch gin copper distilled in Colchester, with a dedication to quality, 42%

Breakfast Marmalade Gin – Small batch gin copper distilled in Colchester, with marmalade, with a dedication to quality, 42%

Tide's Fortune

Essex Dry Gin – Dry gin infused with 'the fortune of the East Coast', including juniper, sea buckthorn and sea purslane, 40%

Slamsey's

Sloe Gin – Made using hand picked sloe berries from the same rich habitat infusing them in London Dry gin, 29%

Mersea Island Brewery

Mersea Island Gin – Small batch vapour infused London Dry gin, 40%

Tapp'd Cocktails

Strawberry Daiquiri – Fresh strawberry puree and real lime expertly blended with craft distillery rum, 10%

Cosmo – Real cranberry carefully blended with triple sec and award-winning vodka, 10%

Sex on the Beach – Peach schnapps orange and cranberry perfectly blended with award winning vodka, 10%

Mojito – Real lime and fresh garden mint expertly infused with craft distillery rum, 10%

Pornstar Martini – Real passionfruit and vanilla perfectly blended with award winning vodka, 10%

Pina Colada – Real pineapple and coconut cream gently blended with craft distillery rum, 10%

WHAT! Hot Sauce

Original – Lacto fermented garlic and cumin hot sauce offering the perfect balance between heat and flavour, hitting every corner of your taste buds

Extra Hot Edition – Lacto fermented scotch bonnet, garlic and cumin hot sauce, made for hardcore hot lovers

Spice Rub – A blend of dried spices, citrus and heat, perfect marinating all kinds of meat, fish and vegetables

Lacto-Chilli Salt – Use this product to add extra seasoning, heat and flavour to your food, and this versatile salt will become a staple in your kitchen

Lacto-Chilli Toppers – With garlic, cumin and oregano, our toppers are great to top off your food with a kick