

TRAQUAIR HOUSE

HOUSE ALE

Scotland

ABV: 7.2%

HOPS: Fuggles, Goldings

STYLE: Scottish Ale

AVAILABLE SIZES(L):
0.500

BREWERY INFO: Traquair House, the oldest inhabited house in Scotland, dates back to 1107 AD, when it was a hunting lodge for the kings of Scotland. It has had descendants of the same family living in it from 1491 to the present day. As did many estates of the era, Traquair operated a house brewery and when Mary Queen of Scots visited in 1566, Traquair was already brewing a famous strong ale. Sometime after 1800, brewing ceased at Traquair. The original brewery equipment remained on the estate, idle, until the 20th Laird of Traquair, Peter Maxwell Stuart, restored and opened the brewery in 1965. The copper brewkettle at Traquair is over 200 years old, and beer is made in the traditional manner -- even using oak fermenting vessels, which contribute to the deep, unique character of these beers.

Traquair is the only UK brewery using oak vessels for primary fermentation.

INFO: The original ale first brewed in 1964 and now sold all over the world. Perhaps the most distinctive Scottish ale on the market and with its rich, dark oakiness this is a deep, contemplative ale.

TASTING NOTES: Deep reddish-amber/brown in color; full, velvet-like body; medium dry and powerful, with an earthy hint of peat character. Malt flavors and fruity finish show a subtle hint of fermentation in wooden vessels

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