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in the Wilmington, NC Area



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### Welcome to the Port City - Wilmington, NC!

From our 9 local breweries to our 8 bottle shops, not to mention, we've got more must-visit bars/restaurants than you can count, "Wilmy-wood" has got it all. To help you navigate the hop-infused waters of the Port City like a true adventurer, we've created the **Wilmington Ale Trail Magazine**.

Inside this guide you'll find everything you need to know about our local craft breweries, bottle shops, and exceptional bars/restaurants. Blend that with the plethora of online resources (such as maps and brewery tour information) you can find at **WilmingtonAleTrail.com**, and you have just unlocked a door to the latest and greatest the Port City has to offer!

Once you've read the **Wilmington Ale Trail Magazine**, your taste buds will surely be longing for some satisfying craft beers. We invite you to come experience these local treasures... and help you enjoy your brewcation at the beach.

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### WilmingtonAleTrail.com

Visit our website to learn more about the breweries, bottle shops, and restaurants/bars. You can also get brewery tour info, find out about local events, and view area maps.

# Don't Miss These Local

## April 9

### Wilmington Brewery Showcase

The first and only beer festival in Wilmington to exclusively feature craft beer brewed from our area. Tickets include unlimited sampling, a souvenir tasting glass, and live music.



The Brewery Showcase will be held at the beautiful Audi Cape Fear facility in midtown Wilmington on April 9 during Azalea Fest. *Presented by Nest Realty.*

[www.LighthouseBeerandWine.com](http://www.LighthouseBeerandWine.com)

## May 13

### Bombers Rare Beer Experience

This is the craft beer lovers' event, the best of the best. Hand selected craft breweries bringing the absolute best they have to offer. This event will showcase limited, rare, and one-off beers from some of the best breweries from across the country. Passed hors d'oeuvres will provide the perfect accompaniment. Taking place on the Cape Fear riverfront in the evening will create a more intimate setting to get to know the breweries and beer better.



[www.RareBeerExperience.com](http://www.RareBeerExperience.com)

## May 14

### The Beer Vacation

The Beer Vacation is a festival to showcase all that craft beer has to offer. Craft breweries from all over the country will be in attendance to show off what they do best. Food trucks will be onsite to provide the best local food. Local musicians will be providing the entertainment. Meet your friends for a full day of the best craft beer, food, and live music for all to enjoy in Wilmington. The Beer Vacation has all the parts of a great escape to make the perfect vacation.

[www.TheBeerVacation.com](http://www.TheBeerVacation.com)



## October 28

### Voracious & Rare Beer Festival

The 3rd annual VORACIOUS Rare Beer Festival on the USS North Carolina Battleship deck from 6pm-9pm. The most amazing and fantastic breweries will pour their most sought after beer. The Voracious Rare Beer Festival is a precursor to our large event Saturday, but it is also the ultimate beer geek experience. Tickets are extremely limited, so get yours in hand asap. 30+ of your favorite breweries pour their favorite limited release beers. Also included in the evening are appetizers, delightfully rare voracious brews, and live music. Tickets will be available in store at Lighthouse Beer and Wine and online (come July!)



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# Craft Beer Events

## September 24

### Fermental Art & Drafts



Fermental's largest annual event is Arts & Drafts, a yearly celebration of art, music, and beer. In true Fermental form, the crew collects, harbors, orders, and begs for some of the best, rarest, oddest, and most celebrated beers from all over. Then they tap them together in an all-day, liquid-filled extravaganza. An afternoon and evening full of live music from multiple musicians highlights the main attraction: a beer garden full of local artists, sculptors, and craft makers spread through every free inch of space in their backyard, selling and showcasing their talents. Throw in a few food trucks and a cast of beer aficionados and you've got one hell of an adventurous day filled with culture, creativity, and craft.

[www.Fermental.net](http://www.Fermental.net)

### *Never Miss An Event... Visit [WilmingtonAleTrail.com](http://WilmingtonAleTrail.com)*

There is always something going on in the area! Visit our website, [WilmingtonAleTrail.com](http://WilmingtonAleTrail.com), to learn about **ALL** of the events taking place in the Wilmington area!



## October 29

### The Beer and Wine Festival

Lighthouse Beer and Wine puts on this fantastic event once a year, always in the wonderful month of October. Mark your calendars for October 29 for the 15th annual Beer and Wine Festival! The festival runs from 1pm-5pm, with a limited number of VIP tickets reaping the benefit of a noon entry and loads of limited beers and wine! Over 100 craft breweries and wineries will be all in one place! There's no better way to try all the best beer and wine available. We want you to find new and exciting beverages that you love to sip. You will want nothing more than to hone your hop tasting, tickle your tongue, and have the best beer and wine tasting day of the year.

[www.LighthouseBeerandWine.com](http://www.LighthouseBeerandWine.com)



# 15th Annual Beer & Wine Festival

By Bethany Turner

**F**ifteen years ago, the craft beer scene in Wilmington, like most of the nation, was lacking in comparison to the plethora of breweries and brands appearing in taprooms today. Jason Adams, owner of the area's first bottle shop, Lighthouse Beer and Wine in Wrightsville Beach, was eager to tip the scale in favor of micro vs. macro and import beers. The store had only been open for less than five years when he embarked upon the first Lighthouse Beer and Wine Festival in 2001.

"We started the festival as a way to introduce Wilmington to the craft beer options that were available," Adams shares. "We were trying to get people to become more interested in craft beer—the beer scene was very different back then compared to these days! Most restaurants and bars had very few options, and those options were mainstream. This festival would become the main stage to steer Wilmington into the craft beer scene that it now has."

Today the city boasts several of its own breweries, and a good number of bottle shops have joined Lighthouse in serving up delectable suds to Wilmingtonians and tourists alike. The Lighthouse Beer and Wine Festival, held annually on a Saturday in October, has grown exponentially, starting with just 20 breweries to now over 100, plus over 30 wineries each year. The initial event saw 700 guests, while attendance has climbed to over 5,000.

"Saturday's event is a great way to spend your day sampling lots of great craft beer and hang out with your friends while listening to live music on the Cape Fear River," Jason describes. Lighthouse Beer and Wine Festival also partners with The Carousel Center, a non-profit caring for abused and neglected children across southeastern North Carolina. "Since the inception of the festival, we have helped raise over \$200,000 to help support their efforts."

In 2013 Adams expanded the festival weekend to include the Voracious Rare Beer Festival, which occurs Friday night on the deck of the USS North Carolina Battleship, overlooking the skyline of downtown Wilmington. Select breweries bring their most coveted and vintage beers to Voracious. "This was a way to host a very small, intimate, high-end experience for the very high-end craft-beer drinker," Adams explains. "We only sell a limit of 400 tickets to this exclusive event. The views from the deck of the battleship are spectacular. It only makes it that much better when you are sampling 30 to 40 very rare/limited beers that are typically not even available for retail sales. These are the best of the best. This event demonstrates how far our beer community has come."

**This year's events will occur October 28-29.**

*For more information about the event, please visit [www.LighthouseBeerandWine.com](http://www.LighthouseBeerandWine.com).*

# Discover the Breweries



Wilmington, NC is quickly becoming a hub for craft brewers in Eastern North Carolina. Maybe it's our beautiful beaches or our breathtaking historic downtown. Maybe there's just 'something in the water'. Either way, we're happy about it - and you should be too!

The Wilmington area is currently home to nine extraordinary craft breweries, each completely unique and delicious. You can find these local beers in area bottle shops and in many restaurants but we suggest you take a brewery tour. This can be a great way to sample their selections while learning a great deal about the brewing process. So head on over to one of these breweries today, or sign up for a Port City Brew Bus tour to see many of the breweries in a single trip!

## Check Out Our Locator Maps

See pages 18-20 to find the locations of these breweries on our Brewery & Bottle Shop Locator Maps!

*Look for this icon on the brewery page for easy locating:*

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## Broomtail Craft Brewery

Broomtail was born out of a love of the science and art of creating a great craft beer. It's a passion we take very seriously.

We are a friendly, Cheers-like brewery and tap room located just off Market Street in Dutch Square Industrial Park. From our eight-plus unique beers on tap to specialty casks and sours, there is sure to be something every beer connoisseur will enjoy.

Saddle up and grab a Broomtail beer. We look forward to seeing you soon!



### SIGNATURE BREW

Moe-Beer



### SEASONAL FAVORITE

Elysium-Biere de Garde



### ADDRESS

6404 Amsterdam Way #100  
Wilmington, NC 28405

### CONTACT

910.264.1369  
BroomtailCraftBrewery.com

### TAP ROOM HOURS:

Wednesday 4 pm-9 pm  
Thursday 4 pm-9 pm  
Friday 4 pm-10 pm  
Saturday 2 pm-10 pm  
Sunday 2 pm-8 pm





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## Flytrap Brewing

Located in the Brooklyn Arts District of Historic Downtown Wilmington, an old office building has been transformed into the excellent Flytrap Brewing. This inspiring new microbrewery, named after NC's official carnivorous plant, the Venus Flytrap, is unique in all the right ways.

Specializing in American and Belgian style ales, Flytrap invites you to sample their brews in a flight or to enjoy a full pour. Its walls are lined with eye-catching art from local artists, and you can find a tasty food truck parked outside nearly every day. On Thursday, Friday, and Saturday nights, you can watch some of the area's best up-and-coming musicians perform as you relax with your favorite microbrew.



### SIGNATURE BREW

Hoppy Tripel



### SEASONAL FAVORITE

Apricot Saison



### ADDRESS

319 Walnut Street  
Wilmington, NC 28401

### CONTACT

910.769.2881  
FlytrapBrewing.com

### TAP ROOM HOURS:

Monday-Wednesday  
3 pm-10 pm  
Thursday 3 pm-12 am  
Friday-Saturday 12 pm-12 am  
Sunday 12 pm-10 pm



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## Front Street Brewery

If you've set foot in Wilmington's beautiful historic downtown in the last 20 years, you've likely passed by or stepped into Front Street Brewery. Front Street, Wilmington's only restaurant and brewery, was founded in May of 1995 and has been an area landmark ever since.

When it comes to local Brewmasters, you would be hard-pressed to find someone more skilled than Front Street's Kevin Kozak and Kelsie Cole. Their popular Spring Brew won the World Beer Cup Gold Award in 2012! They also offer FREE brewery tours with beer samples at 3:00, 3:45, and 4:30 pm and a FULL menu until midnight every day of the week.



### SIGNATURE BREW

Dram Tree Scottish Ale



### SEASONAL FAVORITE

Battleship Pale Ale *or* Yard Work Pale Ale



### ADDRESS

9 N Front Street  
Wilmington, NC 28401

### TAP ROOM HOURS:

Open 7 Days a Week  
11:30 am-12 am

### CONTACT

910.251.1935  
FrontStreetBrewery.com



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## Ironclad Brewery

Inspired by the Ironclad class of ships built in Wilmington’s ironically named Beery’s Shipyard during the Civil War, Ironclad Brewery is all about high quality ingredients and handmade craft beverages.

The brewery is located on N 2nd Street, inside a former auto-repair shop built back in 1925 that’s been painstakingly revitalized into a well-functioning brewery that retains a boatload of historic charm.

With two floors and over 11,000 square feet of space, Ironclad can accommodate large parties. Business events and theme parties are often held within the brewery, along with live music, which you can experience nearly every Saturday night.



### SIGNATURE BREW

Fish Tale Pale Ale



### SEASONAL FAVORITE

Lydia’s Lager



### ADDRESS

115 N 2nd Street  
Wilmington, NC 28401

### TAP ROOM HOURS:

Monday-Saturday  
12 pm-12 am  
Sunday 1 pm-10 pm

### CONTACT

910.769.0290  
IroncladBrewery.com



## Book your party at Ironclad for FREE!

### **Birthdays, Anniversaries, Corporate Events, and More for Over 400 People**

Ironclad Brewery is a unique venue ideal for *wedding receptions, corporate functions, business networking, fundraising, and charity events*, as well as *retirement, birthday, and holiday parties*.

Events held at Ironclad Brewery are scheduled as either public or reserved events. A public event means the brewery remains open to customers. *No contract is needed to hold a public event.* A reserved event is when either the second floor or the entire brewery is closed to the public. *A contract is required for reserved events.*

#### **Ironclad Brewery Amenities:**

- Over 10,000 square feet of space
- Comfortably holds over 400 people
- Two floors with large bars on each floor
- Stage and sound system
- High definition overhead projector with 12 foot screen
- The City of Wilmington's 2nd Street parking deck is directly across the street from Ironclad. The first hour is free, \$1 each additional hour.

#### **Ironclad Brewery Does Not Charge for Use of the Space!**

Planning a great event does take a lot of time and effort, but it shouldn't cost a lot of money! To help reduce your event cost, Ironclad Brewery does not charge an event space fee. For reserved events there is a minimum bar tab as the brewery will be closed to the public during the event.

Event bookings are done on a first come first serve basis. Please call 910-769-0290 and ask to speak with a General Manager to book your event.



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## Good Hops Brewing

Good Hops Brewing is Pleasure Island's Craft Brewery. A lively community and a great place to come enjoy fresh beer. Bring friends and family, Fido and food and plan to stay a while. New this year and free to the public, Trinity Disc Golf, a 9-hole disc golf course located on the Good Hops Brewing property.

This family owned brewery was created after the success of Lookout Brewing in Black Mountain, NC. With passion and purpose Good Hops crafts innovative, palatable beer in the English Style Session Ale. Optimal balance between hops and malts with reduced carbonation offering full flavor and excellent mouth feel. If it makes better beer, Good Hops Brewing uses it! You can also find Good Hops brews in over 40 restaurants and bars in the Wilmington and Beaches area.



### SIGNATURE BREW

Flip Hop IPA



### SEASONAL FAVORITE

Donna Pineapple & Peach Jalapeño



### ADDRESS

811 Harper Ave at Dow Rd  
Carolina Beach, NC 28428

### CONTACT

706.713.1594  
GoodHopsBrewing.com

### TAP ROOM HOURS:

Monday-Thursday  
1 pm-8 pm  
Friday-Saturday  
1 pm-9 pm  
Sunday 1 pm-7 pm



**NEW ANTHEM**  
BEER PROJECT

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## New Anthem Beer Project

Pulling inspiration from Belgian and French Farmhouse beers, New Anthem Beer Project takes these classic styles and puts a unique American spin on them. Nothing is off limits in the early 20th Century stables turned brewery. We brew fresh takes on hop forward beers and pay respect to the process, ingredients, and flavors of the classics. Making beers with a little more edge, New Anthem Beer Project may not be a farmhouse, but it is as close as you can get to it in historic Downtown Wilmington.



### SIGNATURE BREW

Throwing Shade - IPA



### SEASONAL FAVORITE

Traffic Circle - Farmhouse Wheatbeer



### ADDRESS

116 Dock Street  
Wilmington, NC 28401

### CONTACT

Brewer@NewAnthemBeer.com  
NewAnthemBeer.com

### TAP ROOM HOURS:

*Opening in 2016!*

Please visit our website  
for the Tap Room Hours!



**Waterline Brewing Co.**  
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## Waterline Brewing Company

At Waterline Brewing Co., we brew a wide variety of well-balanced flavors and styles from our crisp, refreshing Kolsch-style ale to our full-bodied Red Ale to a spicy, hoppy Rye IPA. Join us in our tap room and pick your own favorite! Tap room hours vary seasonally, so check us out online.

We are located in the restored Jacobi Hardware warehouse on Surry Street, just under the Cape Fear Memorial Bridge. This wonderful structure was built in the 1940s and we have worked hard to preserve the look and feel of the original heart pine construction. It is a perfect setting to brew! We have outdoor beer garden seating, free parking, and free tours plus live music and food trucks on weekends. Great beer, brewed here!



### SIGNATURE BREW

Kolsch



### SEASONAL FAVORITE

Hefeweizen



### ADDRESS

721 Surry Street  
Wilmington, NC 28401

### CONTACT

910.557.BREW  
WaterlineBrewing.com

### TAP ROOM HOURS:

Monday Closed  
Tuesday-Thursday 2 pm-9 pm  
Friday 2 pm-10 pm  
Saturday 12 pm-10 pm  
Sunday 12 pm-8 pm



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## Wilmington Brewing Company

Homegrown from a small homebrew shop to a 11,800 sqft facility, Wilmington Brewing Company is excited to serve you fresh, local beer straight from the tank to your glass. Located right in the middle of Wilmington, WBC includes a 3bbl brewery, tasting room, and a homebrew supply store.

15 drafts are available in the tap room! Enjoy a pint, growler, or a crowler (32 oz can of beer poured and sealed on demand). Have a beer while you shop for homebrew supplies or just relax in the beer garden. Bring the family and enjoy our laid-back atmosphere. We look forward to seeing you soon. Cheers!



### SIGNATURE BREW

Sneaky Goose Double IPA



### SEASONAL FAVORITE

Lemon Ginger Saison



### ADDRESS

824 S Kerr Avenue  
Wilmington, NC 28403

### CONTACT

910.392.3315  
WilmingtonBeer.com

### TAP ROOM HOURS:

Tuesday-Thursday 10 am-9 pm  
Friday-Saturday 10 am-10 pm  
Sunday 12 pm-6 pm

# DOWNTOWN WILMINGTON



# MIDTOWN



# OGDEN

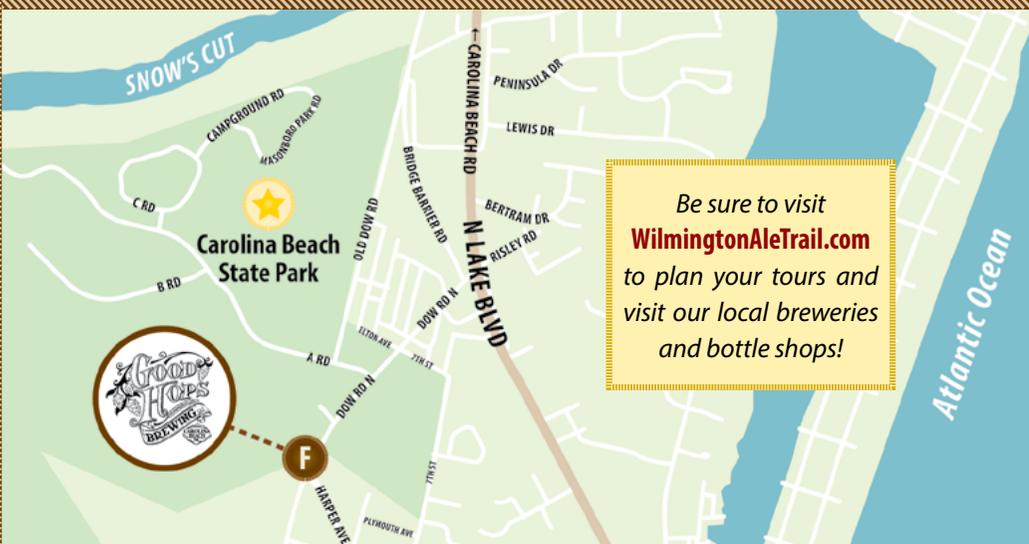
Be sure to visit [WilmingtonAleTrail.com](http://WilmingtonAleTrail.com) to plan your tours and visit our local breweries and bottle shops!



# WRIGHTSVILLE BEACH



# CAROLINA BEACH



# SOUTHPORT





# Is Your Festival Compliant?

*By Justin M. Lewis and Hayley R. Wells,  
Ward and Smith, P.A.*

**T**he craft beer industry in North Carolina has grown tremendously in the last few years, and with it, so has the size and number of beer festivals. Beer festivals provide brewers with a great opportunity to introduce new or rare beers and they provide beer lovers with a chance to taste beers they typically cannot find on the shelf or at a bar. Beer festivals are a lot of fun for all involved, but there are rules to follow and the North Carolina Alcohol Law Enforcement (“ALE”) is the state agency tasked with enforcing those rules.

If you’ve kept up with the news regarding North Carolina craft beer, you have probably heard about incidents across the State when enforcement actions by the ALE interrupted several festivals. These incidents are typically the result of festival organizers or participants not understanding all of the rules and regulations regarding beer festivals, such as the required permits, permitted conduct by those serving alcohol, and rules regarding advertising.

So besides a great line up of breweries, what should you consider when planning a festival?

**Permits.** The entity hosting the event must obtain a permit from the North Carolina Alcoholic Beverage Control Commission (“ABC”). The type of permit and likelihood of getting the permit approved may vary depending on the permittee and purpose of the event. Non-profit, charitable organizations are often best suited to obtain a festival permit for a variety of reasons, including the ability to purchase beer for a discount and to accept donated beer. All breweries that participate in a beer festival in North Carolina are also required to hold certain permits from the ABC. The permitting requirements differ slightly for in-state and out-of-state breweries. In addition, all alcoholic beverages (malt beverages, wines, ciders, etc.) that are served at festivals must be registered with and approved by the ABC.

**Employees/Volunteers.** Brewery employees or festival volunteers, who are serving the public or performing other duties on behalf of the brewery, cannot consume any alcohol until they are relieved of their duties for the remainder of the day. This prohibition stems from the application of a retail regulation to beer festivals. It has led to issues at a number of festivals and has led many festival organizers to utilize volunteer servers who agree not to consume any alcohol while on duty.

**Cooperative Advertising.** Breweries cannot directly or indirectly cooperate with an alcoholic beverage retail permit holder (other than another brewery) to promote the retailer’s business or the sale of alcohol. This means that even a simple Tweet or Facebook post about an event such as a beer festival where a brewery and retailer are both participating could land a brewery in hot water. There are some exceptions to this regulation that require a brewery to submit a request for approval to the ABC. To avoid an unintentional violation of the regulation, it is important to understand the regulation prior to sponsoring or advertising your brewery at a festival.

The foregoing requirements are in place to protect the health, safety, and welfare of the consuming public as well as the festival host and participating breweries, but they can be confusing. Festival organizers and participating breweries should understand all the rules and regulations at the outset of planning or participating in a festival to avoid running into trouble. Ward and Smith, P.A. has developed a festival compliance packet that outlines various facets of festival management, including permitting requirements, product donation issues, volunteer expectations, and festival best practices. For more information, please contact Justin M. Lewis at [jml@wardandsmith.com](mailto:jml@wardandsmith.com) or Hayley R. Wells at [hrw@wardandsmith.com](mailto:hrw@wardandsmith.com).

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# Discover the Bottle Shops



Sometimes you just want to relax on the couch with a few tasty brews. That means you have to settle for boring supermarket beer though, doesn't it? Not in Wilmington!

The Port City is lucky enough to be home to eight fantastic bottle shops, stocked to the brim with selections you won't run across anywhere else. From hard-to-find limited productions to exclusive local craft brews, there's really no reason to settle for less. So make a trip to one of these great bottle shops today, and sample the many captivating tastes of Wilmington from the comfort of your own home.

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**108 Grace Street  
Wilmington, NC 28401**

910.833.5107

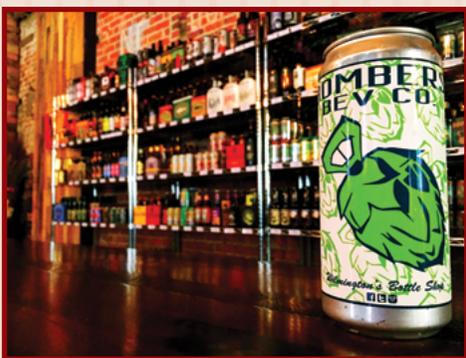
BombersBevCo.com

**SHOP HOURS**

Mon-Wed 10 am-10 pm

Thur-Sat 10 am-12 am

Sun 12 pm-6 pm



“Bomber” is the popular term used in the craft beer industry describing beer packaged in a 22 fluid ounce bottle. We love those big beautiful bottles so much we decided to take the term on as our name.

We offer an extensive selection of over 500 different products such as to-go beer, 12 rotating drafts, wine, cider, crowler fills, and growler fills.



We are a specialty craft beer retail store and tasting room that provides customers with unique craft beer. We have an outside seating area, the Beer Alley, where you can sip on a beverage in the sun. We're also a dog friendly establishment.



Located in a mid-century service station in midtown, The Brewer's Kettle offers a collection of fine ales, lagers, wines, and cigars.

It's a comfortable place to meet with friends and explore beers and wines with plenty of interior and exterior seating. We also feature live music, food pairings, and beer and wine tastings. The Brewer's Kettle offers rotating drafts, wines by the glass, and to-go packaging.

Enjoy our shaded pergola and courtyard where on clear evenings our musicians play. Check out our Facebook page or website for all upcoming events. We are a dog friendly establishment.

**4718 Oleander Drive  
Wilmington, NC 28403**

910.502.0333

bkWilmington.com

**SHOP HOURS**

Mon-Thur 11 am-10 pm

Fri-Sat 11 am-11 pm

Sun 12 pm-8 pm



- Cape Fear Wine and Beer is ranked as *Wilmington's Best Beer Bar*
- All craft beer
- 300 bottles to choose from
- 25 beers on tap
- Cask ale every day
- Drink it here or take it to go!
- Cicerone certified staff
- Great selection of sours
- Outdoor seating
- Visit our website for up-to-date draft and bottle lists
- Open late every night

**139 N Front Street  
Wilmington, NC 28401**

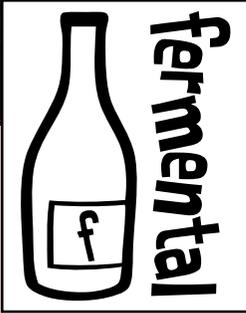
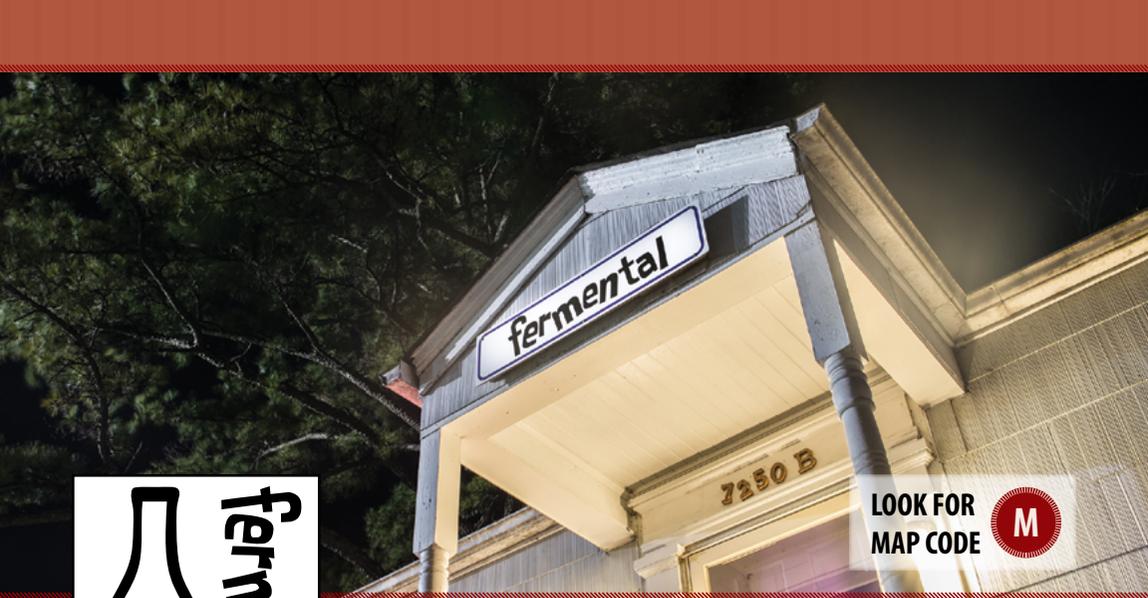
910.763.3377

CapeFearWineandBeer.net

**SHOP HOURS**

Mon-Wed 4 pm-2 am

Thur-Sun 1 pm-2 am



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**7250 Market Street  
Wilmington, NC 28411**

910.821.0362

Fermental.net

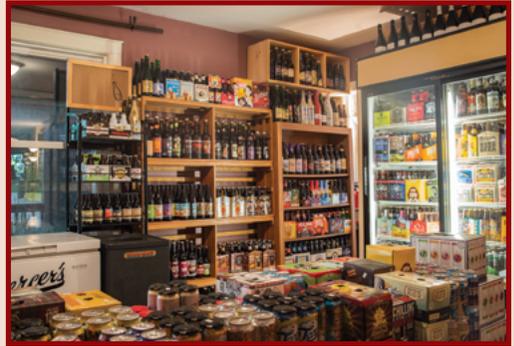
**SHOP HOURS**

Mon-Thur 10 am-10 pm  
Fri-Sat 10 am-11 pm  
Sun 12 pm-8 pm

Located in North Wilmington along the Market Street corridor, Fermental is set inside the comfortable confines of a 1940's bungalow with a unique assortment of rooms and seating areas to peruse and/or consume their vast inventory.

The shop sells and serves an eclectic selection of craft beer and fine wine and features a large outdoor beer garden, a tasting bar with perpetually rotating draught beer selections, wines by the glass, growler fills, weekly events, free tastings, live music, and an expansive selection of quality libations and accompanying accoutrements; including imported cheeses, pickles, olives, and wine ice cream. (Yes, wine ice cream!)

Fermental also serves as one of the few local locations to rent, purchase, and order kegs for home use, special events, weddings, and more. The shop sells draught equipment and supplies as well as home brew and wine making essentials.



Join the fine folks at Fermental every Friday evening for their weekly free wine and beer tasting at 6 pm, alongside local food trucks in the beer garden, coupled with live music, outdoor games, and more. The entertainment continues throughout the weekend with additional food vendors, brewery events,

wine tastings, and other such merriment. Children and pets welcome. **Casual. Comfortable. Fermental.**



**4405A Wrightsville Avenue  
Wilmington, NC 28403**

910.547.6707

HeyBeerNC.com

### SHOP HOURS

Mon-Sat 10 am-10 pm  
Sun 12 pm-8 pm

Hey Beer is a small shop with a big selection. Choose from over 400 individually priced singles to mix and create your favorite 6-pack or 8-pack! We organize our beers by style so that you can find your favorite flavors all in one place.

Grab a draft or fill a growler from one of our 8 rotating taps. Free tastes from those taps are also available at any time.

Owners Mike and Kristy Duffy are always in the shop to chat about beer and point you towards the newest releases.

Gift certificates are available as well for that craft beer fanatic in your life. See you soon!



Wilmington | North Carolina  
**THE KEG & EGG**  
Cold Craft Beers • Hot Pub Grub

**4039 Masonboro Loop Rd, Unit 1A  
Wilmington, NC 28409**

910.769.2349

### SHOP HOURS

Open Daily  
9:30 am-10 pm

The Keg & Egg is a unique bottle shop, providing the Masonboro Area with a grand selection of over 140 craft beers and the only bottle shop in Wilmington offering a full specialty sandwich menu! Stop in for a cold beer, try some soon-to-be famous PorkSicles, and take a 6-pack to go! The Keg & Egg is a neighborhood establishment conveniently located 3 miles from Monkey Junction, just down Masonboro Loop Rd. Enjoy a draft at the bar from one of the six constantly rotating craft beer taps. The Keg & Egg is proud to showcase high quality, hand-picked beers and wines that are competitively priced!



**220 Causeway Drive  
Wrightsville Beach, NC 28480**

910.256.8622

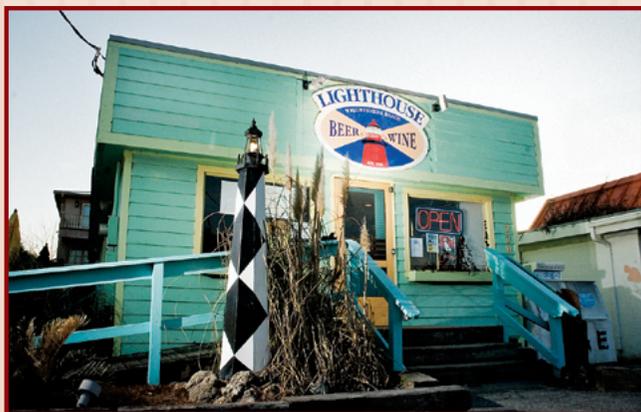
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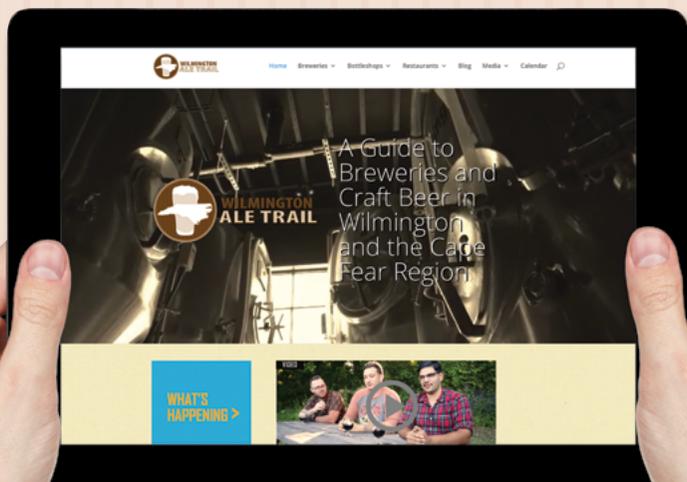
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### SHOP HOURS

Mon-Sat 11 am-11 pm

Sun 12 pm-11 pm

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# Discover the Restaurants and Bars



If there is one thing that every beer drinker knows, it is that you don't drink on an empty stomach. Wilmington is home to an incredible selection of delicious restaurants that also carry local craft beers.

But this isn't a situation where a bar owner has thrown together a few food items to satiate his hungry patrons. No, the Port City food scene comes in second only to its craft brew culture. So 'hop' on down to any one of these appetizing locations today and get a taste of true Port City cuisine, washed down perfectly with selections from our local breweries.



# JOHNNYLUKES

KITCHENBAR



**5500 Market Street, Suite 130  
Wilmington, NC 28401**

910.769.1798

[JohnnyLukesKB.com](http://JohnnyLukesKB.com)

## HOURS

Open Daily  
11:30 am-2 am

Good eats, good drinks, and great times is what JohnnyLukes KitchenBar is all about. JohnnyLukes KitchenBar serves Wilmington a variety of 19 rotating craft beers on tap, a hand selected eclectic wine list, fun cocktails, and of course, exceptional food. Our two-story layout brings the best of both worlds under one roof.

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# PINPOINT *Restaurant*



**114 Market Street  
Wilmington, NC 28401**

910.769.2972

[PinPointRestaurant.com](http://PinPointRestaurant.com)

PinPoint Restaurant serves food deeply rooted in southern tradition and foodways. Chef Dean Neff's menu changes daily and features the local bounty from Wilmington's farmers and fisherman as much as possible. The restaurant opened in the spring of 2015 in the heart of downtown Wilmington, just a block from the Cape Fear River.



## HOURS

*Dinner:* Mon, Wed, Thur, Fri, and Sat 5:30 pm-10 pm  
Sun 5 pm-8 pm

*Brunch:* Sat-Sun 10:30 am-2 pm  
Closed Tuesday



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