

Full Bottle News

Welcome to the first edition of Full Bottle News for 2006. We hope that you and your family enjoyed a wonderful festive season. What better way to start the year than by enjoying our latest copy of Full Bottle News.

In this edition we look at two of the great beer kit brands: Muntons and Brewcraft. We examine the glass versus PET bottle debate and, for all you spirit lovers, we take a closer look at the best way to clear your wash. As usual, we have member competitions and great deals for all our Full Bottle customers. We hope you enjoy!



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BREW CLUB

The Pure Gold of Muntons

Muntons are based in East Anglia in the UK where, from their custom designed factory they produce high quality malts and products that are used by commercial breweries in Europe and America. Their malts are the best quality you can buy and therefore it is not surprising that their home brew kits produce amazing tasting beers...

With over 25 years experience in the manufacture of kits you can be guaranteed of a great tasting brew. In this article we take a closer look at the Muntons Gold and Muntons Premium Gold ranges.

Many years ago - centuries in fact - it was discovered that the

way to brew the best ales and beers was to use only malt, hops, water and yeast in the brewing process. In the 15th Century in Germany this was taken a stage further with the introduction of the "Reinheitsgebot" - a law prohibiting the use of any ingredients in the brewing process other than these raw materials.

This law stood until only a few years ago when the EEC over-ruled the "Reinheitsgebot" which they considered to be a barrier to free-trade within Europe! In spite of this the breweries have refused to change their recipes and still brew using only the four magic ingredients - their customers would not be satisfied with anything less, they tell us.

This is why Muntons developed their Gold and Premium Gold ranges. These fantastic beer kits are made using only malt, hops, water and yeast, balanced to brew superb beers, modeled on the finest brewing traditions.

**Muntons Gold is priced at \$34.95
and there are 6 kits for you to
choose from.**



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Muntons Premium Gold**

The Muntons Gold Range

Old English Bitter	This fine Old English beer rekindles the full bodied, rich ales of Victorian Britain. The Old English Bitter is a beer that improves and matures with age, if you can bear to store a few bottles for six months or so!
India Pale Ale	Originally developed at high alcohol strengths so that it could survive the journey to the English troops in India. This quality kit allows you to choose the strength you prefer.
Highland Heavy Ale	A dark malty brew, balanced by a generous helping of hops. To enjoy Highland Heavy Ale at its best it should be served at cellar temperature.
Docklands Porter	You can now recapture the unique flavour of traditional Victorian Porters - a light hop character and full malt flavour underlies a rich colour, possible by the subtle use of the best roasted malts.
Imperial Stout	This brew has a full body, rich black colour and distinctive dry bitterness. Capped by a smooth, creamy head, it is a brew to be savoured. Enjoyed at its best when served chilled - approximately 5°C.
Continental Pilsner	Light and delicate, yet richly satisfying. This beer preserves the delicate balance of natural hop bitterness with the sweetness of malt. Best served cold at about 5°C.

Munton's Premium Gold

The Muntons Premium Gold range are without doubt the best beer making kits on the market today. They have used the finest quality malting barley, malted to perfection and carefully balanced this with the best hops available. Careful control of the manufacturing process and that little bit of Muntons know-how ensures that each of the Premium Gold Beer kits contain all the necessary ingredients to produce truly remarkable beers.

They begin by carefully selecting and malting the best English 2-row barley. Great care is taken when making the extract to ensure they retain all the malt flavour and character. To this they add a unique blend of brewing hops specially supplied by England's most renown hop growers. To guarantee consistent brewing the Premium Gold beer kits contain their very own gold yeast - a brewers grade yeast with superior ale making characteristics and good "crusting" properties to brew crystal clear beer.

The Premium Gold kits produce 23 litres with an approximate abv of 5%. They are priced at \$49.95 each and there are three kits available.



The Muntons Premium Gold Range

Midas Touch Golden Ale	Refreshing light pale ale with a rich golden colour and a distinctive hoppy taste.
Smugglers Special Premium Ale	This light malty beer has a wonderful balance achieved with choice aromatic and bittering hops and the use of the finest English 2-row premium ale malt.
Old Conkerwood Black Ale	Old Conkerwood is a distinctive black-coloured beer with an aromatic yet hoppy character. Not quite a porter or a stout, Old Conkerwood, with your eyes closed, drinks like an ale. An underlying dry bitterness provided by the use of specially selected coloured malt pleases the palate and encourages the drinker to appreciate this Conker coloured ale.

If you haven't already tried the Muntons Gold or Muntons Premium Gold kits then we highly recommend them to you. Your member loyalty vouchers include a \$5 discount on the Muntons Premium Gold kits...see your vouchers for further details

Why use Brew Blends?

We are often asked by customers what are the benefits of using a Brew Blend so we thought that we would take this opportunity to explain how they can enhance your brew.

Blended brewing sugars help to give your beer more flavour, better body and an improved head. Our Brew Blends are a range of pre-blended brewing sugars that have been developed to help you perfect your beer. Each Brew Blend comes in a convenient 1kg bag and is designed to replace the use of sugar and dextrose. Each of the 5 Brew Blends available gives your beer a different taste and feel.

#10 Brew Enhancer

Gives your beer kit a pure beer taste and creamy mouth-feel
rrp \$6.25

#15 Brew Booster

Glucose, corn syrup and malt to add flavour and mouth-feel.
rrp \$7.95

#20 Malt Plus Booster

A richly malted blend to give a rich and satisfying flavour with a delightful creamy finish on your palate
rrp \$8.95

#25 Stout Booster

Includes dark malt to give body and flavour to stout kits
rrp \$9.95

#30 Milk Stout Booster

Includes Lactose to give your stout sweetness. An alternative for brewers who like to smooth out the dry bitter finish of regular stout.
rrp \$10.95

For more information on how these Brew Blends can help you create great tasting beer please ask one of the team members at your local Full Bottle store. Please refer to your member loyalty vouchers for a great discount on any Brewcraft Imported beer kit and converter kit or brew blend combination.



Clearing the Wash

Many of the questions we get from our spirits customers relate to how to clear the wash so we thought we would answer some of these commonly asked questions.

The best product to clear your wash...

Still Spirits have a comprehensive and very high quality range of products available to help you achieve fantastic results. One of these products is Turbo Clear.

Treating the wash with Turbo Clear removes all solids and semi-soluble compounds which can cause off-colours and taste. Each Turbo Clear pack comes with Part A and Part B. It is essential that all dissolved gas is removed before gently adding Part A. One hour later Part B should be added while gently stirring. The wash should be left for 24 hours before carefully decanting the clear wash.

Turbo Clear will normally remove 95% of the solids within the first 24 hours and 99% after 48 hours. Turbo Clear is available from your local Full Bottle store with an rrp of \$5.95.



Great member special...

Full Bottle members get \$1 off Turbo Clear
Please refer to your member loyalty vouchers for further details.

Better Beer Tip: PET Bottles ...Easier and Safer!

When it comes to choosing how to bottle your beer don't overlook the PET alternative. Whilst we know that some brewers prefer their beer in the traditional glass stubbie there are some advantages to the PET bottle.

Firstly, they are safe. If you have been brewing for some time you will know that things can sometimes not turn out quite as planned. There have been reported incidents where poor quality glass bottles have exploded causing injury. Using a PET bottle removes the danger of glass injuries.

Secondly, the PET bottle is very hygienic (made of food grade plastic). Their amber colour is also perfect for keeping your brew from spoiling. The colour amber actually prevents light strike which will ruin the taste of your beer.

Finally, PET bottles also have a safety seal to safely maintain proper carbonation. They are quick to chill and safe for around the pool!

Glass or PET, the choice is yours...

however with your Full Bottle Loyalty voucher you can pick up 30 amber PET bottles (including seals) for only \$24.95...that's a saving of \$5.

Using Brewcraft Imported

Brewcraft are one of Australia's premium beer kit brands. Their Brewcraft Imported range is manufactured by Muntions in the UK and showcases the international styles of countries such as England, Ireland, Holland, Belgium, Germany, Czechoslovakia and Mexico.

All of the Brewcraft Imported beer kits can be combined with the West Brew range of converter kits and brew blends to produce a fine end product. Be sure to check out our top 5 recipes using Brewcraft Imported kits combined with West Brew converters and brew blends.

Style	Brewcraft Imported	West Brew Converter Kit	Yeast	Adjuncts	Volume
Redback	Bavarian Wheat	#10	Safale K-97 wheat	10g Saaz hops	21 litres
Corona	Mexican Cerveza	#10 Brewblend #15 will give a more malty taste	Saflager* W34/70		21 litres
Crown Lager	Munich Lager	#40 Australian Lager	S-23 Saflager* Yeast		21 litres
Grolsch Premium	Dutch Lager	#15	Saflager* W34/70	20g Hallertau hops	21 litres
Heineken	Dutch Lager	#60	S-23 Saflager* Yeast		21 litres

* During summer we suggest substituting the Lager Yeasts with Ale Yeast.

The Brewcraft Imported 1.8kg range includes:

Belgian Ale, English Bitter, Newcastle Brown.
rrp \$19.95 each

The Brewcraft Imported 1.5kg range includes:

Bavarian Wheat, Irish Stout, Czech Pilsner, Munich Lager, Mexican Cerveza and Dutch Lager.
rrp \$17.95 each.



Full Bottle Members Get a Better Deal

You'll see that we have also sent you some special Full Bottle Member Discount Vouchers. To secure your discount you will need to present the vouchers at your local Full Bottle store before 31st March 2006. While you're there don't forget to drop in your Castlemaine draw entry form too!

FULL BOTTLE WINNERS

In our last edition you may recall that we had 30 Morgan's beer packs up for grabs. We had a great response and all winners have now been notified in writing. Congratulations if you were one of the lucky ones.

Castlemaine Summer Packs to be WON



This edition, we have another great competition. We have 6 fantastic Castlemaine Summer Packs up for grabs. Each pack contains a Castlemaine Perkins Lager Kit and great XXXX summer merchandise including a fishing lure, thongs and BBQ plate. Each kit is valued at over \$45 so be sure to get your entry in before the 15th March 2006 closing date! It's so easy to enter...all you have to do is return your prize competition draw entry to your local Full Bottle store. Good Luck!

Share Your Recipes and Feedback and You Could Win!

We often hear great stories about how our customers have made their own beer recipes or successfully developed a technique. We also often receive feedback about the products we sell. We're now inviting you to share your tips, recipes and feedback with your fellow Full Bottle Club members. Every edition we will share some of those stories and tips with you and if we publish your story, feedback, recipe or tip we will give you a \$20 gift voucher as our way of saying thank you. So tell us your thoughts by either email, mail or fax addressed to:

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Vintners Reserve... Affordable Quality

With Summer well and truly upon us now, it is the perfect time to make your favourite white wine. Winexpert have some very affordable high quality products available in their Vintners Reserve series with prices for white wine kits starting at just \$89.95.

Vintners Reserve is the industry's first 28-day winemaking kit and it contains 100% pure varietal grape juice and concentrate. This 7.5 litre wine kit continues to set the standard in its category by yielding wines of excellent quality, flavour and aroma. The range includes many varieties to enable you to experience numerous styles and tastes. Each kit yields 23 litres and is ready to bottle in 4 weeks. These three whites are available at your local Full Bottle store.

Sauvignon Blanc

The flavour is full and dry, with a fruity, herbaceous character, which finishes crisp and clean. A versatile wine which handles a wide range of herbs, spices and flavourings.

Riesling

The pride of German winemaking, this popular varietal produces a light, refreshing, well-balanced white wine, which is smooth and easy to drink. A great match with seafood and chicken entrees.

Mezza Luna™ White

Full, round and flavourful, with big fruit flavours and aromas. The oak provides a subtle yet noticeable balance to the fruit intensity.