

# Madrid Beer Week!!

Beer lovers, get ready because Madrid Beer Week's 2nd edition is coming back to the city!

From the 8th to the 21st of June, every beer shop will have something prepared for **14 days straight**. Some of the many activities on offer will include **workshops and beer tastings with cheese**. You'll find everything you've ever dreamt of.

Check out this [pdf link](#) to find out more details about the different events.

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## Spanish Craft Beer Tasting at La Buena Cerveza

On Friday, Jan. 16th, get ready for an international craft beer tasting at [La Buena Cerveza](#), our favourite beer shop in Chueca. This 2-hour tasting costs 15€ per person. You'll end up a bit tipsy, but don't worry, as tapas are served with every round. This is also a good way to learn some new Spanish vocabulary – do you know how to say *wheat*, *malt* and *hops*?

Also check out our full post on this shop: [La Buena Cerveza: all things beer](#).

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# Thielmann Craft Beer Fair

Did you hear us say international craft beer fair?? Yes, you did! The first edition of the [Thielmann Craft Beer Fair](#) is coming to Madrid on Friday 28th (6pm-12am) and ending on Saturday 29th (12pm-12am), and taking place in the convention pavilion in Casa de Campo. The fair will bring together 30 breweries from around the country to offer presentations, talks and tastings all revolving around the wonderful world of craft beer. It will cost you only 3€ to enter the beer-filled pavilion, so there's no excuse if you don't go.

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## La Buena Cerveza, all things beer in Madrid

My first encounter with beer was many years ago (well, not too many). When I was a child in **Madrid**, I used to go to the **bar** with my dad to watch football and spend the afternoon together. My father, an Englishman with a Spanish family, always said that I should get used to **beer** as soon as possible so I'd appreciate it better. To help me along, he would always pass me his glass and look away so that I could take a few sips, feeling like I was doing something wrong.





A few weeks ago, I was running late to meet up with friends at [Mercado de San Anton](#), when a little sign caught my attention: “*talleres de elaboración de cerveza*” (or in English, **homemade beer workshop**). Once again, as if I were a little boy, the feeling of doing something wrong popped into my head. My friends will have to wait, cause I’m going in!



Once I got through [La Buena Cerveza](#)’s door, I found Nacho across the shop, a **Madrileño** from **Vallecas** (a south-east neighbourhood of Madrid). As we started talking, he kindly offered me a cold *La Cibeles stout*—a **Spanish craft beer** from Madrid. As we drank, he told me he had always dreamt of opening a **beer shop** in the center of **Madrid**. In his dream shop, a customer could find not only 1,000 different kinds of beer , but also a place to taste and experience the deeply

cherished beverage.





At **La Buena Cerveza**, feel free to ask the owners to open up a beer for you from the fridge. Though it's not a bar, you're welcome to buy a beer and drink it there (for tasting purposes, obviously!)



Nacho and Manuel (brothers and co-founders of **La Buena Cerveza**) organize **beer tastings** every two weeks. They cost **15€** and include at least 5 different beers. Here you'll also find the reason why I first came in. For a reasonable price of **85€**, you can see yourself making your own beer in a seven-hour workshop. And if that's not enough, you can even make beer at your own home, and have them store it for you in the right conditions until it's good enough to drink!





If you're interested in going to the tasting but aren't comfortable with your Spanish just yet, get in touch with us and we can help out!

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