



BREWER’S NOTES

Speight’s Brewery has always produced award winning, traditional ales and beers, using only the finest quality

Southern ingredients and purest water. We take great care and pride in brewing our beers and are proud to present them here to you. Why not taste the whole family of Speight’s beers! Purchase an Ale House Tasting Tray, which will have a sample of each beer for you to try.

SPEIGHT’S GOLD MEDAL ALE

Beer Style	Draught Amber Ale
First Brewed	1876
Alcohol Level	4.0
Colour	21
Bitterness	14
Energy (kilojoules/100ml)	135
Calories (/100ml)	32

Flavour characteristics: Speight’s is an ale with a hint of “grassy” undertones that add to its complexity. It has the full flavour of Speight’s malt and hops.

SPEIGHT’S TRIPLE HOP PILSNER

Beer Style	Pilsner
First Brewed	2002
Alcohol Level	4.0
Colour	12
Bitterness	31
Energy (kj/100ml)	190
Calories (/100ml)	45

Flavour characteristics:The first thing that strikes you about the Triple Hop Pilsner is the light golden colour true to the pilsner style of beer. Being a pilsner it’s a hop dominated brew, in this case we use the hop varieties; Cascades, Green Bullet and Nelson Sauvin. These give the initial hit of citrus fruit and fresh green hop character. It’s the hop sharpness that gives a refreshingly crisp taste on the palate at first. Then the classic pilsner malt flavour kicks in to provide a light malty biscuit background, the slight bitterness of the hops.

SPEIGHT’S OLD DARK

Beer Style	English Porter
First Brewed	1991
Alcohol Level	4.0
Colour	90
Bitterness	23.5
Energy (kilojoules/100ml)	150
Calories (/100ml)	36

Flavour characteristics: This dark ale has roasted malt character with a hint of chocolate. The flavour has been balanced with extra hops and rounded out with just enough sweetness.

SPEIGHT’S DISTINCTION ALE

Beer Style	Traditional Dark Ale
First Brewed	1994
Alcohol Level	4.0
Colour	40
Bitterness	17
Energy (kj/100ml)	172
Calories (/100ml)	41

Flavour characteristics: This is a dark lager style beer. It sets itself apart from typical lagers through the subtle sweetness of slightly caramelised malts with relatively little hop bitterness or flavour from the Green Bullet and Pacific Jade hops. The darker speciality malts provide a more complex malty caramel flavour that gives this brew a well rounded character.

SPEIGHT’S SUMMIT LAGER

Beer Style	Lager
First Brewed	June 2008
Alcohol Level	4.0
Energy (kilojoules/100ml)	135
Calories (/100ml)	31

Flavour characteristics: Brewed with only natural ingredients, Speight’s Summit Lager is a smooth flavoured lager free of artificial additives and preservatives. With the addition of the Pacific Hallertau hop variety added late in the brew. Speight’s Summit Lager delivers a smooth, crisp and refreshing taste with less of the maltiness associated with Speight’s Gold Medal Ale.

SPEIGHT’S MID ALE

Beer Style	Ale
First Brewed	2014
Alcohol Level	2.5
Colour	26
Bitterness	12.5
Energy (kj/100ml)	98
Calories (/100ml)	23

Flavour characteristics: Speight’s Mid Ale is brewed using the specialty malts Crystal, Caramalt and Chocolate malt, enough to give the beer a smooth caramelised malty flavour and aroma. The sweetness provided by the malts is balanced by an addition of Pacific Jade and Green Bullet hops to the kettle boil to release their hoppy bitterness.

SPEIGHT’S EMPIRE IPA

Beer Style	India Pale Ale
First Brewed	2010
Alcohol Level	5.5
Colour	20
Bitterness	40
Energy (kj/100ml)	200
Calories (/100ml)	50

Flavour characteristics: Our brewers decided to bring back an old favourite. Speight’s Empire is brewed with a generous addition of Kohatu hops to deliver spicy aromas and a clean bitterness.

SPEIGHT’S CIDER

Beer Style	Cider
First Brewed	May 2011
Alcohol Level	4.6
Colour	7.9 EBC
Energy (kilojoules/100ml)	171.58
Calories (/100ml)	40.85

Flavour characteristics: Speight’s brings you a well balanced, refreshing cider. The full bodied profile comes from the batch fermentation of juice sourced from 100% New Zealand grown apples, and is expertly coupled to a dry finish, which leaves you wanting more of this amber cider.

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