

Belgian Style

Abbey / Trappist Dubbel –Double **BLOND**

I. Description of the style

The “Dubbel” Abbey ale is a medium strong, blond, top fermented beer.

The beer that is today brewed in 7 monastic breweries (6 in Belgium, 1 in The Netherlands) is called Trappist beer.

Some abbey ales are brewed in standard breweries, with a licence of a monasterium, and must be called “Abbey ales” or “Abdijbier”.

The beer is full-bodied, with sweet mouthfeel and estery aroma, and refermented in the bottle.

II. Specifications

OG: 16 – 17 ° Plato
AFG : 2.5 – 3 ° Plato
EBU : 30
ABV : 7 – 7.5 %
Color : 9 – 10 EBC

III. Ingredients per hl; extract yield: ± 80 %

Malt *	%	Kg / hl
ALE MD	67.5 %	13.5
CARA 20 MD	17.5 %	3.5
MUNICH MD	10 %	2
CARA 50 MD	5 %	1
<i>Total:</i>	<i>100 %</i>	<i>20 kg</i>
White candy sirup	Up + 7.5 %	

*MD: stays for Malts of Dingemans

Hop: a mix of bitter, mouthfeel and aroma hops	G / hl
Bitter: Magnum, Nugget, Target, Chinook...etc	15 g
Mouthfeel – Flavour: Saaz, Select, Perle, Tettnanger... etc	155 g
Aroma: Hallertau Mittelfruh(HM), Styrian...etc	75 g

Yeast: Belgian Abbey Ale yeast

IV. Brewing Process

Programmed infusion process; pH 5.3

40 ' at 63 °C
35 ' at 72 °C
1' at 78 °C; sparging at 80 °C

Boiling: 90 min; first hop: 10 min; second: 50 min; third: 75 min.
White candy syrup: 85 min.

Whirlpool or centrifuge

Fermentation for 7 days at 21 °C

Yeast collection

Maturation or secondary fermentation for 3 weeks at 10 °C – 11 °C

Cool further to 7 – 8 °C and remove the sediment.

Refermentation in the bottle:

Dissolve between 500 – 750 g invert sugar / hl beer in 5 l water of min 75 °C, heat to 100 °C, to sterilize. Add an extra 3-500.000 ml yeast cells / ml and the invert sugar. Homogenise the beer in the tank and bottle within 24 hours.

Refermentation in the bottle:

-10 – 15 days at 21 – 22 °C (warm dark room)
-and 30 days maturation at 12 °C in a dark room.

P.S. The amount of sugar is in relation with:

- a. residual sugar from main fermentation
- b. residual CO₂
- c. the desired CO₂ content e.g. 6-7 g / lit. CO₂

The amount of hop is also related to the isomerisation yield in the brewery

P.S.

OG: Original gravity in Plato
AFG: Apparent final gravity in Plato
EBU: European Bitterness Units
ABV: Alcohol % by volume
EBC: Color in Eur. Brew. Conv. – units
MD: Malts of Dingemans

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