For Beer Lovers: Forty-Eight



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While a trip with a few more days would allow for a more in-depth tour of the town, Corvallis boasts a proximate selection of breweries and pubs that allow for even the most particular tastes to find their niche: in less than two days.

Itinerary:

(Assuming you arrive Friday evening and depart Sunday morning.)

Friday: Start off by diving right in to what Corvallis has to offer.

Grab a bite at Block 15 and try a couple of



their stellar beers. With an expansive menu, they'll be able to provide an option for whatever you're craving: sandwiches, salads, and specials that highlight their kitchen's talent.

Want a night cap? Adjacent to Block 15 is Les Caves and they offer a selection of Bourbons and luscious desserts.

Saturday AM: A relaxed morning wake-up allows for perfect brunch timing. Brunch at Les Caves is as renowned for its chicken waffles, benedicts, and house-made sweet potato doughnuts as they are the Bloody Marys or the amped up Manmosa. (Imagine a large mimosa with an extra something: a shot of vodka.) Remember- it's 5 'o clock somewhere so feel free to try a beer with brunch.

Saturday PM: Enjoy an interim stroll along the River on the First Street Path. Looking for something more active to do? A five minute drive west of Corvallis provides a respite from people and places and sets you out in nature. Try the Bald Hill hiking trail or venture out further to Mary's Hill.

Return to town for some fun tasting at Sky High Brewing.

Dinner at Flat Tail will undoubtedly include good food, good beer, and good company. They offer a full bar in addition to their on-site brewery fare.

Sunday AM: Before returning home, head out for a cup of coffee at Broken Yolk or Sunnyside Up. Both venues are situated just off Third Street and have the perfect end-of-the-weekend grub. Depending on how late you're in town, you might opt to follow up breakfast with a trip to the Corvallis Brewing Supply. They open at noon on Sunday and offer an incredible selection of bottled beers to take home. See their website for more information: http://www.lickspigot.com/

An Overview of Establishments:





A popular establishment that opened its doors just over five years ago, this seven-barrel Restaurant & Brewery brewery provides its patrons with selection-

and quality. With something for every palate, the restaurant commonly referred to by fans as "Block" balances their beer scene with incredible edibles. Their 'pub' food spans the spectrum from traditional to a chicken fettuccini that is savory, creamy, and spot on. The restaurant's owners, Nick and Kristen Arzner, recently "expanded" establishing Les Caves Bier Taverne and Kitchen. Be sure to grab a growler to go!

Open 7 days a week- check website for current hours. Block15.com





They are opening in phases, so it's best for some tastings. Visit the

Facebook page for updates: http://www.facebook. com/SkyHighBrewing.



Sky High Brewing in Corvallis delivers some kegs by bicycle

Hours in Corvallis



This place refers to themselves as a "sports pub and brewery" and their decked-out restaurant and bar boasts OSU Beaver memorabilia in conjunction with numer-

ous TVs that keep sports fans up-to-date. This Corvallis establishment opened in 2010 and is generally known as the place to go to grab a brew and catch a game. With

a prime location on First Street, this place offers great warm-weather outdoor seating. Their salads are right up there with their burgers. Be sure to try their Black and Tan Sandwich! Check out their website for a current menu.

Open daily 11AM-11PM Happy hour is everyday between 3-6PM and 9-close. Flattailcorvallis.com Caves
Bier @ Kitchen

Meaning 'the cellar' in French, the little sister restaurant to Block 15

supplements its fine cuisine with an array of beer possibilities. They offer their own brews and rotate most taps from the US, Germany, UK, and Belgium. Beer Curator, Drew Salmi, stocks the restaurant with hard-to-find taps and bottles, working towards sharing both the beer- and their passion for it- with guests. Don't forget to try a Bier Pretzel either before the main course or during their happy hour. Like their counterpart, Les Caves practices composting, recycling, local and artisan purchasing, with most of their items being made in-house or at Block 15. A reservation for their exquisite brunch isn't a bad idea.

Closed: Mondays and Tuesdays; Wednesday through Friday: 4PM- Midnight Saturday and Sunday: 9:30AM- Midnight Biercaves.com



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