

What's new:

Lift Bridge has officially made its way into Wisconsin. The New Richmond location is now open, but their Stillwater location, which is the oldest taproom in Minnesota, is still the place for live music, wrestling and brunches. "It's just a fun place to come out and party," said owner Brad Glynn.

What's now:

Brad's innovation team had been releasing a series of smaller, exclusive varieties of new brews. "We're kind of known for our flagship ones like Farm Girl and the Mango Blonde, but our innovation team's job is to pick out cool varieties," said Glynn. The latest release has been a line of double dry hop IPAs, or DDH, if you're a real beer nerd. The double hops impart lots of flavor with a nice bitter balance to sweet malt. Keep an eye out open for another new release called Your Car's Extended Warranty. Lift Bridge has been trying to contact you about this one...

Where can I get some?

You can pick up Lift Bridge throughout the metro at independent and major retailers. "Your favorite neighborhood liquor store should have Lift Bridge," said Glynn.

Savour's summer picks:

What can we say? Folks love the Mango Blonde and we do too. It's a fruit-forward blonde ale with a light golden maltiness to it. Made with mango puree, your first sniff and sip will be straight mango bliss. It's not overly sweet and is very refreshing. The ABV is at 4.75% so "you can have a couple if you're sweating," said Glynn.



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Well, the whole place is pretty new. River Siren had its grand opening this May and is already settling into the Stillwater community. The brewery is home to "river views and rotating brews" according to Brian Carlson who owns the joint with his wife Harmony. Rent out River Siren's mezzanine level or hang out on the patio and watch the boats go by all summer long.

What's now:

River Siren is rolling out their newest beer, Sunshine Baby, named in honor of the couple's son who passed away not long after he was born. This witbier has a light, crispy citrus vibe with notes of orange peel and coriander. Her Presence, Apparition Hazy IPA and Calm of Chaos are among River Siren's refreshing summer beers despite their occult names.

Where can I get some?

River Siren isn't currently distributing, but you can pick up crowlers and growlers from the taproom.

Savour's summer picks:

We picked Calm of Chaos, a good middle-of-the-road beer. Medium hops, medium body, spectacular sipping. A combo of Centennial hops and East Kent Golding hops makes this pale ale a crowd-pleaser.