



**Style:**  
Imperial India Pale Ale

**Family Status:**  
The hopped-up storyteller

**Availability:**  
May–July

**Packaging:**  
4-Pack, 1/6 BBL, 1/2 BBL

ABV: 9.1% ABW: 7.3% IBU: 80 GRAVITY: 22°P

**Name Origin:** A beer this distinctively hoppy inspires many a tall tale. And they don't come taller than South Bay Bessie, the legendary monster that roams the shallow depths of Lake Erie.

**Style Origin:** Double India pale ales are a strong, very hoppy style of pale beer. Also known as Imperial IPAs, these beers are essentially India pale ales that are brewed with higher amounts of malt and hops. While still relatively new, it is one of the fastest growing styles in the craft beer industry and a favorite among "hopheads".

**Flavor:** Exploding with bold hop flavors

#### **Ingredients:**

##### **MALT**

*Harrington 2-Row Base Malt:* Allows color and flavor from other specialty malts to come through; makes for very clean beer  
*Caramel 30:* Small amount contributes to color and body

##### **HOPS**

*Simcoe:* Unique, non-traditional bittering hop contributes to aroma; provides high levels of bitterness with smoothness  
*Fuggle:* Traditional English hop for flavor in English ales; contributes milder earthy and woody aromas and flavors; adds complexity

**Pairs With:** Steak, pork chops, aged cheese and dark chocolate

**Shelf Life:** 90 days