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## The 10 Most Underrated Breweries in America

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Reputation is give and take.

Certain breweries are revered by name alone. Think Alchemist. Think Russian River. Toppling Goliath. These cornerstones of the craft brewing world have a prestige that makes them an instant buy, regardless of style, serving, or even price. You find something by Russian River in your local beer store, you buy it.

On the other side of the spectrum, there are breweries that, for one reason or another, have failed to gain the favor of the drinking public. Some of them are so ubiquitous, it's easy to take them for granite. Others simply haven't earned the cult following of an Alchemist or Side Project Brewing. But we think they're worthy of your attention. These are the American breweries that deserve a critical re-evaluation.

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### **Narragansett Brewing** **Providence, Rhode Island**



Much in the tradition of Lone Star, Rainier, and Old Style, Narragansett Lager is a regionally beloved bargain beer, but that doesn't mean parent company Narragansett Brewing doesn't have its eyes on higher concepts. When the brand was revived in 2005 after 24 years off the market, the new owners set up the craft branch of their business in their hometown of Providence.

Gansett goes hyper-local for their craft brews, too. They've partnered with Rhode Island favorites Allie's Donuts, Autocrat Coffee, and Del's Frozen Lemonade on collaborative beers and brewed others in honor of H.P. Lovecraft and the USS Massachusetts, cementing their place in the hearts of Providence drinkers, but the rest of the world hasn't discovered the 16-oz. craft spree taking place in the country's smallest state.