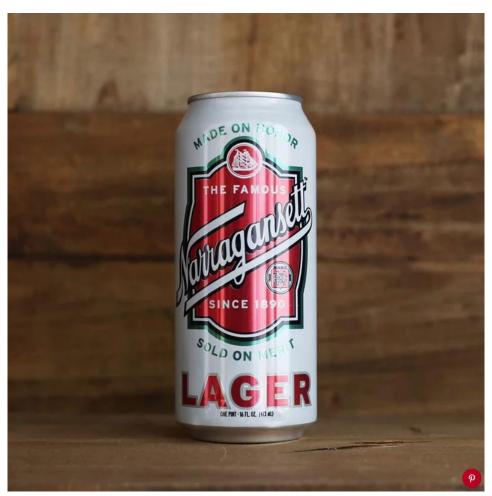
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Best American Lagers

The American craft beer boom has led to some of the best and most diverse brews in history, but most of them reside on one side of beer's family tree: the ale side. The more-challenging-to-brew lagers, on the other hand, remained primarily the domain of large breweries, developing a reputation for light body and even lighter flavor. But no more. Expert brewers around the country are putting out both classic versions of age-old styles and innovative takes that could convert even the most avowed IPA drinker. Here, 50 of the best lagers in America—one from every state.



Rhode Island: Narragansett Lager

If you're the kind of person who simply orders whatever beer's cheapest, you may have noticed a sea change in the brand of can you typically get. In many hip bars, Narragansett has replaced Pabst Blue Ribbon as the go-to cheap lager of choice. Whether it deserves the crown is up for debate, but love it or hate it, the classic Providence-based brew has suddenly become one of America's most popular lagers again. narragansettbeer.com

