

Top 10 American IPAs

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I've been thinking about these for a long time now. Many beers have made the list and then been bumped off. And some of those beers have ended up back on the final list.

After all my painstaking research, I feel like I've finally come up with a list of my top 10 favorite American IPAs. The following are my favorites in no particular order:

- Green Flash West Coast IPA
- Stoudt's Double IPA
- Victory Hop Devil
- Anderson Valley Hop 'Ottin IPA
- Smuttynose IPA
- Avery Maharaja Imperial IPA
- Bear Republic Racer 5 IPA
- Great Divide Hercules Double IPA
- Dogfish Head 90 Minute IPA
- Weyerbacher Simcoe Double IPA

I realize there are beers on the list that are different variations of the IPA style, but I thought that made it a little more interesting. Plus, it was kinda tough to see which beers would stand up to the others and I feel like these ten are the best group.

Even though I've picked out what I think are the best IPAs, there are most definitely some others that are worthy of consideration. The following are a few honorable mentions in the style of American IPA:

- Dogfish Head 60 Minute IPA
- Blue Point Hoptical Illusion
- Tupper's Hop Pocket Ale
- Rogue Imperial IPA (I²PA)

If the opportunity presents itself, you should probably give these IPAs a chance - they're all nicely done beers, especially Rogue's offering.

Overall, you can't go wrong if you buy any of these American IPAs, but if I had to choose one to drink for the rest of my life, it would probably have to be the Stoudt's Double IPA. This Stoudt's brew is fantastic and would probably leave me wanting more better than any of the others.

But who knows, my opinion might change any day because they're all delicious and they're all worth the price tag that comes with them. Definitely try all of them!

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1. [Eric Hebert](#) said,

on May 23rd, 2007 at 12:21 pm

As an IPA loon, I've actually only had the pleasure of trying just a few of the top 10. Looks like I've got some work to do.

2. [David](#) said,

on May 23rd, 2007 at 10:48 pm

I've had the pleasure of trying most on your top 10 list (however, surprisingly not the Green Flash...will have to pick it up tomorrow night to try) and I'll vote my favorite as Dogfish Head 90 Minute (their 60 Minute a great session brew I think). Another "complex" favorite IPA on your list I'd vote for Victory Hop Devil. Very unique. Great way to share new brews with others. Keep up the good work!

3. Beefsteak said,

on May 25th, 2007 at 2:50 pm

Good list, though I'd definitely add my new favorite: Bell's Two-Hearted Ale.