

Mercat launches new special beer to mark the end of tramworks



A New 'Mercat' Commemorative Beer On-board

The award-winning Mercat Bar & Restaurant in Edinburgh's Haymarket area has launched a special, own branded beer in conjunction with Alechemy Brewing, the microbrewery based in West Lothian – planned to commemorate the end of the tram works.

Graham Blaikie, the Mercat Bar & Restaurant's owner said:- "We thought it would be a great idea to have our own branded beer as a quirky way to celebrate the end of the tram works, which have affected our business over the last few years. Originally, our plan was to have this specially bottled IPA to commemorate and celebrate the tram works in Haymarket being complete by 1st August!

"But unfortunately, their deadline has been missed yet again with further delays reported and these works still on our doorstep! So we've decided to push ahead, launch our new, branded beer and we'd like to encourage all fellow beer lovers, to come into the Mercat and give it a try!

"It's a lovely and refreshing 'Cairnpapple IPA', so great in this warm weather! The head brewer, James Davies, named this IPA after one of the most well-known hills in West Lothian, a revered and ancient ritual site, dating back to 3500BC. A location held in the same regard as the more famous standing stones of Stenness in Orkney."

A 550ml bottle is priced at £3.50.

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