

San Diego Brewery Timeline

The Fourth Wave, March 2020-Present

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2020 mid-March (COVID closure order)-December

Note: Closures may or may not be due to the impact of government-mandated restrictions and closure orders that began March 2020. See 'State of California and Breweries During COVID Timeline' for details on legislation and business' responses.)

Following a complete shutdown of non-essential businesses at the end of May, a partial easing of shelter-in-place restrictions allowed beer on site with food purchase and social distancing. Further reduction of opening restrictions, e.g., physical distancing protocols and masks while moving around a location, in place as of June 12, 2020. Summary of changes in the laws for 2021-2022 are at <https://www.abc.ca.gov/new-laws-2021-22/>.

Barrel and Stave detailed plans to develop shared brewing space in Vista (Co-Lab) with Laguna Beach Beer and Breakwater Brewing.

Blind Lady Draft took over Automatic Brewing space, will brand as BLAH Draft.

Brew Zone opened in Miramar district in conjunction with All About Brewing homebrew supply.

California Spirits distillery filed for brewery type 23 license in Poway.

Craft Coast Brewing opened in Oceanside with taco-focused brewpub.

East Village Brewing filed for ABC license.

Embolden Beer/New Beverages opened in space previously occupied by 32 North.

Five Suits opened in old Barrel Harbor location (Vista).

Hannegan's House Beer Co. & Creamery opened in National City. Only SD-area brewery with ice cream made on site.

Itza Brewing filed for license in Ocean Beach and started with online-only sales due to COVID.

Laguna Beach Beer Company (out of county) announced plans to participate in the Co-Lab shared space in Vista.

Mcilhenney Brewing began remodeling the old Alpine Beer space in Alpine. This is the family that founded Alpine Beer Co and purchased the site back from WC-IPA/Green Flash.

Mujeres Brew House opened in old Alta Brewing space as sister operation of Border X Brewing with plans to establish a non-profit educational brewing operation.

Oceanbrook Brewing (owner is General Ag & Produces LLC) applied for ABC license.

One Season Brewing applied for license as expansion of product offerings from TRVLR Coffee Roaster.

Paradise Hills Brewing as part of Serbesa Filipino Kitchen announced as looking for location, brewed under contract by Home Brewing, later Savagewood/Voodoo Child.

Puesto Cerveceria opened their brewpub in the former Gordon Biersch location.

Red Sauce Company files for brewpub license to open in La Mesa, withdrawn same year.

Three Frogs Beer opened in Santee.

Tipping Pint Brewing applied for a license to share space with Carruth Cellars Winery and a restaurant. Space to be called "The Hangar" in the Airport district of Oceanside (opened 2022.)

WestBrew opened locations in Vista, shortly followed by Del Mar, with plans for San Diego and Oceanside locations to open in 2021.

--10 Barrel Brewing closed.

--32 North Brewing vacated premises but continued contract brewing with new occupants Embolden/New Beverage, transferred ABC license to Embolden.

--Align Brewing closed with new owners (2019) reassessing a possible move.

--Alpine Beer/Green Flash closed Alpine location, continued at Green Flash production site.

--Amplified Aleworks left Miramar HG Fenton Igniter location, planned to open in Lemon Grove but later withdrew the application.

--Attitude Brewing opened Chula Vista tasting room.

--Automatic Brewing (in Blind Lady Alehouse) closed (revived as Blind Lady Draft by remaining partner).

--Ballast Point Brewing sold to Kings & Convicts Brewing of Illinois. Planned continuation of BP brand.

--Barrel Harbor closed, Five Suits moved into space and took brewing equipment.

--Bay City Brewing opened satellite tasting room on 8th Ave, San Diego, temporary closure due to COVID.

--Bear Roots Brewing is sold to new ownership

--Bolt Brewing closed their satellite Spirits distillery location.

--Booze Brothers planned downtown Vista tasting room, added pizza kitchen to original site, and planned joint venture in Fallbrook.

--Breakwater Brewing planned additional brewery in Co-Lab shared space in Vista.

--Burgeon Beer planned Little Italy satellite tasting room, also took over Escondido Brewing location as small brewery/tasting room.

--Circle 9 announced owner's decision to retire, placed brewery up for sale.

--Creative Creature withdrew license application for East Village location.

--Culture Brewing closed their Ocean Beach tasting room.

--Eppig Brewing opened pop-up (temporary) tasting room in North Park, not the same space as they started (closed 2021.)

--Escondido Brewing closed (Burgeon Beer takes over space).

--Hillcrest Brewing closed brewery operation to become a restaurant only.

--Horus Aged Ales planned collaboration with Mason Ale in venture called Ferrous Falcon.

--Indian Joe Brewing began to sell off equipment several months after closure.

--Karl Strauss Brewing closed Santa Fe Ave tasting room location.

--Legacy Brewing closed Miramar location.

--Little Miss announced plans for Lakeside tasting room.

--Local Roots Kombucha planned space in San Diego's East Village area.

--Novo Brewing opened tasting room with kombucha emphasis in Ocean Beach.

--Piston Pete's set up temporary to-go beer sales at production site.

--Pure Project opened Carlsbad location, took over Iron Fist (Vista location) for new production site, and expanded their Bankers Hill location with a biergarten across the street.

--Regenerate Brewing (formerly Degenerate) license application cancelled.

--Resident Brewing planned to take over the old Iron Fist location in Vista, did not work out.

- Rouleur Brewing took over Papa Marce's space for expansion, converted their Igniter lease to a standard lease.
- San Marcos Brewery & Grill closed due to COVID-19. This was the oldest North County brewery.
- Societe Brewing increased their production capacity with additional tanks.
- South Park Brewing permanently closed due to kitchen fire in companion business (Hamilton's.)
- SouthNorte applied for license to brew in San Diego, withdrew application, and moved brewing operations into former Gordon Biersch brewery location in San Jose.
- Stave and Nail begin search for larger location
- Thunderhawk Alements closed.
- Tiger! Tiger! Tavern of the Automatic Brewing group, closed.
- Two Roots (CBD-infused beer) closed their Ocean Beach tasting room, continued Kearney Mesa production site.

Recent Applications/Unclear status: **Baja Connection**, **Bear Down Brewing** (Chula Vista), **Beerfish** [seafood restaurant], **Casa Marquez Brewing**, **Hip Hops Beer**, **Oceanbrook Brewing** (Fallbrook), **Outbound Brewing**, **Pacific Storm Brewing** (Ramona).

Related

In the Weeds food and resource distribution system began at breweries around the county for hospitality workers in need. Expanded to include virtual sessions on financial and mental health, jobs, etc.

San Diego Beer News website launched by Brandon Hernández.

Tiny Bubbles line is released by Lost Abbey as an additional brand based on sour beer recipe purchased from Hollister Brewing.

2021

Breweries began reopening and new breweries opened. Guidance on serving, distancing, and masking fluctuated rapidly with spread of the Delta variant of COVID-19 and enforcement agencies' interpretations. Temporary allowances for sidewalk dining continued.

Ataraxia Brewing took over Circle 9 brewing location.

Barrel and Stave opened tasting room in downtown Vista in former Mother's Provisions space.

Blue Fire Brewery opened San Marcos location.

By the Sea Brewing filed business entity paperwork with the State of California.

Dreamscape Brewing planned for the former Iron Fist location in Barrio Logan.

El Cid Brewing took over the vacated Home Brewing location.

Encinitas Ale House applied for a small brewery permit to install a brew system in their existing restaurant (part of the Acoustic Ale and Carlsbad Brewing group.)

Grantville Brewing/Lemon Grove Brewing/Sunny Grove Brewing filed for an LLC to open a brewery in La Mesa, later changed to Lemon Grove.

Laguna Beach Beer officially partnered in pending CoLab space in Vista.

Mac Daddy Brewing granted license in Escondido, but no on-site sales allowed. By ABC.

Municipal Beer opened in Oceanside with distillery operation inside Municipal Taco.

Niuhi Brewing (was Hapa Ale) filed ABC permit for former Latchkey location on Hancock St.

Seek Beer planned for Igniter space (Eppig's original location.)

Sham's Brewing began distribution of contract-brewed Iranian-style beer, no tasting room.

Shootz Beer filed for type 23 license at AleSmith address where it is contract brewed, withdrawn although plans continue for Oceanside bottle shop location that opened in late fall.

Ten-75 Brewing began remodeling space vacated by Hebe Kombucha in San Marcos. Owner was brewer for Hebe.

The Swan (restaurant and distillery concept) replaced Beerfish during COVID shutdown in North Park.

YaNo LLC contracted with AleSmith for brewing their products while filing for a small brewery license.

--Align Brewing reopened with new ownership with previous founder acting as remote consultant.

--Amplified Ale Works issued call for contract brewing services (closed their Igniter location in 2020.)

--Attitude Brewing announced two additional sites, one in North Park Igniter suite being vacated by Juneshine, the other in Chula Vista and introduced new gluten and dairy-free kombucha called kombuchol.

--Bagby Beer reopened to-go sales and then fully reopened.

--Barrel and Stave opened taproom in downtown Vista.

--Beach Grease closed and sold brewing equipment to the McIlhenneys for their new brewery.

--Beerfish closed to reopen as The Swan.

--Belching Beaver expanded their North Park tasting room with a hard seltzer speakeasy.

--Black Plague Brewing expanded their production capacity with eight additional tanks.

--Booze Brothers added tasting room in family restaurant operation in Fallbrook.

--Burgeon Beer opened their Little Italy location (The Arbor) including kitchen.

--California Wild Ales opened tasting room in Ocean Beach (former Helm's/Two Roots.)

--CAVU Brewing closed, date uncertain.

--Chula Vista Brewery opened a second location with an onsite kitchen in Eastlake neighborhood.

--Circle 9 Brewing closed (owner retired and sold brewery to Ataraxia.)

--Creative Creature (El Cajon) announced plans to take the space formerly occupied by Stumblefoot in San Marcos.

--Ebullition Brew Works reopened Carlsbad (brewery) location to the public.

--Fall Brewing opened a second location in the South Park neighborhood.

--Harland opened tasting room in the former Benchmark Brewing Bay Park tasting room.

--Jacked Up Brewing continued expansions, additional building space with larger brewing system.

--Karl Strauss Brewing closed La Jolla brewpub location.

--Latchkey Brewing closed their Mission Brewery building site while searching for new space.

--Little Miss opened tasting room in Lakeside with WWII US ally Australian theme and applied for a license for Poway tasting room.

--Longship Brewing closed due to pressures from COVID restrictions. Brewing equipment sold but the owner retained Longship identity.

--Lost Abbey opened The Church tasting room and launched a hard tea beverage line.

--Mason Aleworks moved operations to TAPS brewery in Tustin as Urge (San Marcos restaurant operation) sold to Draft Republic.

--McIlhenney Brewing announced May opening for their tasting room in Alpine with equipment purchased from Beach Grease.

--Mike Hess Brewing closed North Park location and opened Seaport Village location.

--Mikkeller Brewing applied for distilling permits.

- My Yard Live reopened from COVID-19 hiatus.
 - Northern Pine Brewing opened a tasting room in northern San Diego/Del Mar area (adjoining suite to Rough Draft in collaborative space named the Brewer's Deck.)
 - Novo Brazil opened National City location.
 - Oceanside Ale Works reopened by one of original partners under Oceanside Ale Warehouse license.
 - One Season Brewing opened as San Diego's smallest nano-brewery in the Trvlr Coffee Roastarito. Additional products are kombucha and sports gear.
 - Pure Project opened their new production site/tasting room in Vista at former Iron Fist site and a beer garden space across the street from their Bankers Hill district tap room.
 - Ripcurrent Brewing saw one founding partner leave and added two new partners.
 - Rough Draft Brewing opened in northern San Diego/Del Mar area (adjoining suite to Northern Pine in collaborative space named the Brewer's Deck.)
 - Rouleur opened tasting room in North Park (closed 2023.)
 - Stone announced plans to return to San Marcos with expanded distribution and office complex at former Markstein Beverage distribution site.
 - Stumblefoot Brewing (San Marcos) closed with space to be taken over by Creative Creature.
 - Thorn St. Withdrew their application for a brewery tap room in North Park.
 - Wavelength Brewing in Vista closed due to COVID pressures.
 - WestBrew announced plans to open additional sites in San Diego's East Village and Oceanside.
- Recent Applications/Unclear status:* **Brigade Beer** (Encinitas), **By the Sea Brewing**, **Idiot Brothers Brewing**, **Niuhi Brewing** (was **Hapa Ale Works**), **Pivovar West** (Oceanside), **Social Skulls Brewing**, **Unpaved Brewing**, **Valley Center Brewing** (not to be confused with earlier Valley Center Brewery), **Wise Brewing** (Carlsbad?)

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Hop Talk column by Sara Butler debuted in *San Diego Union Tribune* following Peter Rowe's retirement from "Brewery Rowe" column.

2022

- Artifex Brewing** planned a tasting room in Oceanside as expansion from Orange County.
- Backyard Brewery** opened (Escondido.)
- Barley and Sword Brewing** planned to move into North Park location vacated by Pariah.
- Big Country Foods** pulled ABC license, contract brewing hard seltzer with Protector Brewery.
- Blind Lady Ale House Draft Beer** brewed by remaining partner in former Automatic Brewing's location.
- Brewery X's** failed purchase of Modern Times was followed by announcement of tasting room planned for Sheraton Shelter Island Hotel (2023.)
- Docent Brewing** of San Juan Capistrano pulled license for tasting room (Carlsbad.)
- Draft Republic** opened in former Urge Gastropub (San Marcos) with Rouleur Brewing operating the brewery.
- GOAL. Brewing** subleased Attitude Brewing's Igniter space on El Cajon Blvd.
- Heritage BBQ & Brewery** took over the vacated Municipal Taco location in Oceanside.
- InZane Brewing** began remodel of vacated Wavelength space in Vista and opened in October.

Kings & Convicts, current owners of Ballast Point, purchased St. Archer properties (San Diego and Leucadia tasting room) from Molson Coors to begin brewing Kings & Convicts branded beers in San Diego.

Maui Brewing bought Modern Times, unknown as to future of MT and Maui presence in San Diego.

Open Brewing filed as a business entity, terminated and re-started within the year.

Prey Brewing in Vista planned as expansion by Stave and Nail Brewing.

Roadies Brewing filed as a business entity with the intention to open in North County.

South O Brewing opened in a new Igniter location (Oceanside.)

Sunny Grove Brewing (former names Grantville/Lemon Grove Brewing) moved location search to Lemon Grove.

Voodoo Child Brewing entered alternating proprietorship with Savagewood.

Wings&Arrow Beer contract brewed for California distribution along with several alternative hard beverages.

--3R (Rincon Reservation Road Brewery) opened tasting room and restaurant in former Belching Beaver tasting room in Ocean Beach.

--Attitude Brewing opened both North Park and Chula Vista locations then subleased their North Park location to GOAL.

--Backstreet Brewing (Lamppost Pizza) changed ownership.

--Barn Brewery cancelled their brewing license which they had not used.

--Bay Bridge Brewing closed in Chula Vista, began parting out equipment.

--Bay City expanded food service at East Village location.

--Bear Roots announced plans to open tavern in Escondido with a Type 23 license to allow on site brewing.

--Belching Beaver filed fictitious business name of Brew Crew and filed for a Type 23 license as Hop Habit to be located at the Belching Beaver Park Center, Vista location.

--Belching Beaver applied for distillery-focused licenses with the ABC for the Oceanside HQ location.

--Bitter Brothers Brewing closed with Facebook page statement as 'temporary.'

--Black Market of Temecula closed its San Diego location. Originally a brewpub, it had reopened as a tap room post-pandemic.

--Black Plague opened a tasting room in Escondido.

--Bootstrap Kombucha closed.

--California Wild Ales closed their Sorrento Valley location, Ocean Beach open.

--CoLab opened with Barrel and Stave, Breakwater Brewing and Laguna Beach Brewing along with a winery and burger kitchen.

--Duck Foot Brewing closed their East Village taproom.

--Ebullition Brew Works closed their Cades Way Carlsbad production site with plans to move to Temecula. In the meantime, contract brewed at WestBrew (Vista.)

--Encinitas Ale House added a type 23 license (small brewery) to their existing business.

--Eppig opened a La Jolla tasting room (closed 2023.)

--Gravity Heights planned a second location in the Mission Valley area for Spring 2023.

--Green Flash/Alpine in San Diego closed as brewery sold to SweetWater Brewery (Atlanta, GA).

Operations moved to Colorado. Equipment and other assets remain with WC IPA LLC at the Miramar location.

--Jacked Up Brewery planned expansion to additional suite space for entertainment venue.

- Kensington Brewing closed (space taken by Mission Brewing in 2023.)
 - Legacy Brewing closed Oceanside location following the 2019 closure of Miramar location.
 - Little Miss purchased a 30-barrel brewing system with plans for shared brewing operations and applied to the ABC for a production location in Barrio Logan district. Opened a tasting room in Chula Vista. Operated a small tasting room in the lobby of the San Diego History Center as part of a small San Diego beer history exhibit "Taste San Diego: Craft, Community, and Culture."
 - Mike Hess Brewing filed a Type 23 license for former Alpine/Green Flash Tavern location.
 - Mikkeller Brewing ceased local brewing, contracted with Alesmith to supply last open tasting room.
 - Mission Brewery opened revamped tasting room and increased entertainment area with a rebrand as Mission Brewing under new ownership.
 - Modern Times put on market due to financial difficulties following non-San Diego location closures. Purchase by Brewery X (Anaheim) in auction for \$20 million fell through and Modern Times was purchased by Maui Brewing.
 - Municipal Taco closed all operations in Oceanside.
 - North Park Beer opened a brewpub in the Bankers Hill neighborhood.
 - Novo Brazil opened a location in Imperial Beach.
 - Piston Pete's moved to San Marcos with plans for a distillery.
 - Pizza Port opened their Imperial Beach brewpub without on-site brewing that is still pending.
 - Pure Project opened North Park tasting room.
 - Rincon Reservation Road (3R) Brewing closed their Ocean Beach tasting room.
 - Rip Current Brewing announced interest in acquiring new partners or sale.
 - Rouleur entered agreement with Draft Republic to operate the brewing facility in the former Urge/Mason Aleworks location in San Marcos.
 - St. Archer brand discontinued by MolsonCoors (AKA Miller Coors.)
 - Savagewood Brewing announced plans to bring on homebrewers Voodoo Child as owner moves out of state to continue as alternating proprietorship.
 - Seek Beer opened.
 - Societe Brewing opened a tasting room in Old Town area of San Diego.
 - Stave and Nail announced temporary closure (February-summer) to install brew system and update tasting room after 'gypsy' brewing and a planned restaurant and tap room in downtown Vista under the Prey Brewing name.
 - Stone Brewing won a lawsuit against MolsonCoors over branding.
 - Stone Brewing and Sycamore Brewing (North Carolina) sue and countersue regarding use of "Keep it Juicy" phrase, case dismissed.
 - Stone Brewing announced sale to Sapporo (Japan) with expectation that production and existing staffing will remain intact.
 - Ten-75 opened in San Marcos.
 - Tipping Pint opened in The Hangar (Oceanside).
 - WestBrew opened San Diego East Village tasting room and kitchen.
- Recent Application/Unclear status:* **Hoperation Planet A Brewing**, **Soundscape Brewing** (was Merriweather), **Valley Farm Outpost** (Mt. Laguna, part of Valley Farms Market), **Vista Brew** (may be coffee, not alcohol.)

Related

Beer industry #metoo movement gained international attention after an Instagram posting by #ratmagnet (Brienne Allan) elicited over 800 reports in less than 10 days. Many were anonymous but several individuals and businesses were named including some San Diego area breweries and personnel. Responses ranged from brewery personnel changes and departures, messages of support, and threats of legal action. 2022 follow-up responses included Modern Times (revamped its leadership team) and Mikkeller (established a reconciliation plan.)

Brewcycling Collaborative launched to divert brewery-produced waste products from landfills.

Brewery Rowe column by Peter Rowe returned to *San Diego Union Tribune* to report on local beer activity.

San Diego Estate Beer Project launched through a collaboration of breweries, San Diego Brewers Guild, local farmers, and slow food advocates to create a beer using only local ingredients.

--In the Weeds support for hospitality industry workers closed as employment opportunities improved.

2023

Outdoor sidewalk and parking seating reduced or eliminated by many cities.

BeerDad's Brew Works (contract brewed) began serving at beer festivals and distribution to tap rooms.

Cerveza California entered alternating proprietorship arrangement with Atraxia Ale Works.

Cerveceria La Bichola submitted license application for Chula Vista brewing location.

Chicago Bros Pizzeria applied for brewpub license in former Artisanal Brewers Collective/Owl Drug space.

Fox Point Farms applied for a license as part of a planned 'agri-hood' development in Encinitas.

Michi Brew to be brewed at Carlsbad Brewing Company by CBC brewer as his own operation.

Night Parade Brewing was chosen as the new name of Voodoo Child.

Niuhi Brewing granted an ABC license for the location formerly occupied by Latchkey Brewing.

Skyduster Beer was granted a license for brewing in Mission Brewery production facility.

--13 Point Brewing closed citing pandemic-related pressures.

--Amplified Ale Works turned over portion of East Village location to become modbom restaurant and event space, which closed after a brief period.

--Artifex Brewing opened in Oceanside, as an expansion from Orange County.

--Attitude Brewing temporarily closed, followed by announcement looking to sell or partnership.

--Barrel and Stave left their Main Street location in Vista to concentrate on the CoLab location.

--Belching Beaver switched their distillery license applications to Vista.

--Bolt Brewery pulled license as the second tap room in the Old Town district.

--Breakwater Brewing announced closure of Oceanside location by April 2024 due to city's revitalization plans.

--Burgeon Beer applies for license for tasting room in Vista with anticipated early 2024 opening.

--California Wild Ales opened a tasting room in Point Loma district.

--Coronado Brewing announced closure of its Imperial Beach location by December.

--Craft Coast Beer & Tacos took over Rip Current Brewing's San Marcos location with plans to open taco cart dining and expanded production in 2024.

--Duck Foot Brewing took over the Leucadia tasting room vacated by Kings & Convicts.

- Ebullition Brew Works closed their Cades Way production facility and began brewing at Westbrew's Vista facility, leaving their Carlsbad dining location open.
- Eppig hired a consultant group to manage daily operations and closed their La Jolla tasting room due to difficulty with outdoor seating permits. Shortly thereafter, the Vista tasting room was temporarily closed for assessment.
- Fall Brewing planned to take the Miramar production site vacated by Kings & Convicts.
- Fox Point Farms mixed use development in Encinitas announced plans to include brewery.
- Karl Strauss submitted license for San Marcos location originally planned in 2019 but delayed due to Covid.
- Kings & Convicts closed the tasting room in Leucadia as well as Miramar production facility to move all production to the Ballast Point location.
- Little Miss prepared to open a new larger production facility in Logan Heights neighborhood.
- Lost Abbey closed operations in San Marcos and began brewing at Mother Earth's production site in an alternating proprietorship.
- Mason Ale Works applied for Type 23 (small brewery) license in addition to their existing ABC licenses in the Urge Taphouse Rancho Bernardo location under new ownership.
- Mike Hess Brewing opened Seaport Village tasting room.
- Mikkeller Brewing closed their Little Italy location, completely leaving San Diego.
- Mission Brewery took over space previously operated by Kensington Brewing.
- Mujeres Brew House filed a new brewery license to clarify ownership (formerly listed as Border X.)
- New English Brewing filed and withdrew an ABC application for second tasting room in San Diego.
- Oceanside Ale Works including the building is put on market.
- Piston Pete's moved from Vista to San Marcos location and added distilling to operations.
- Plan 9 Alehouse closed.
- Port Brewing (Pizza Port/Lost Abbey/Port Brewing) assumed the vacated Lost Abbey location and continued production of Hop Concept line.
- Protector Brewery applied for Type 23 license for the downtown San Diego InterContinental Hotel.
- Quantum Brewing announced closure with brand and equipment up for sale.
- Rip Current Brewing closed both locations, Craft Coast Beer & Tacos took over the San Marcos site.
- Roadies to take over former Toolbox>Local Roots>Kookslam>Shred location in Vista.
- Rouleur closed their North Park location.
- Second Chance Beer announced closure of both production and tasting room sites due to lease renewal issues of production facility. Collaboration brewing planned at alternative sites to maintain distribution.
- Taproom Beer submitted a license application for a location on Garnet Avenue, San Diego to be called The Collective.
- Ten-75 Brewing temporarily closed due to location renovations by landlord.
- Tipping Pint owners applied to the ABC for a taproom permit in their Carlsbad coffee business (Vinaka Café)
- Voodoo Child Brewing changes name to Night Parade Brewing to avoid conflict with out of state brewery.
- Wild Barrel Brewing closed both its San Marcos production/taproom and Temecula taproom.

Related

Mesa College launched a brewery education program.
Number One Brewing applied for distributor license (distilled spirits.)

2024

Breweries saw continued pressure from Covid-19's impact on the economy, rising ingredient costs, rents, and changes in consumer patterns, leading to a 'shake-out' in the region.

Brewjeria Company (Pico Rivera brewery) planned tap room in Chula Vista.

Green Cheek Beer (Orange County) entered the San Diego region by purchasing Bagby Beer and retained Jeff Bagby as head brewer.

Tarantula Hill Brewing of Thousand Oaks takes over brewing operations at Draft Republic.

--Bagby Beer announced sale to Green Cheek Beer of Orange County.

--Ballast Point/Kings & Convicts put its Miramar production facility on the market while contracting out their brewing and seeking a smaller production site. Their hospitality venues continue.

--Burgeon Beer opened The Grove taproom in Vista.

--Citizen Brewers suffered damage to its equipment and building due to severe El Niño flooding.

--Ebullition Brew Works closed its last location, the Carlsbad restaurant.

--El Cid announced intention to sublease their space (former Home Brewing location.)

--Eppig opened a taproom in the J St. San Diego location formerly occupied by Stone Brewing.

--Five Suits put their brewery up for sale.

--Laguna Beach Brewing closed their taproom in the Vista CoLab location.

--Latchkey opened in the space formerly occupied by Bitter Brothers.

--Little Miss Brewing announced plans to open a tasting room in Kearny Mesa neighborhood.

--Lost Abbey opened a tap room in partnership with Mother Earth Brewing in the reopened Mother Earth taproom in Vista.

--Mother Earth reopened their taproom in Vista with Lost Abbey sharing the space.

--North Park Beer announced plans for a pizza shop/taproom in the Crown Point neighborhood of San Diego.

--Northern Pine opened a new food venue at their Oceanside location called The Lodge.

--Novo Brazil opened new location in Mission Valley.

--One Season Brewing placed equipment up for sale with intention to close that part of the coffee roaster/brewery business. Sale was brought to a halt when severe storm flooding damaged the entire business.

--Pizza Port opened a tasting room in the former Lost Abbey location in San Marcos AND a taproom in Belmont Park, taking over a former Round Table Pizza location.

--Prey Brewing (part of the Stave and Nail Brewing operation) opened a restaurant in Vista.

--Resident Brewing announced plans to add a location in Chula Vista AND added a jockey box serving setup to their production space.

--Rouleur announced plans to add a restaurant at their Carlsbad location AND stopped brewing at the Draft Republic location in San Marcos.

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