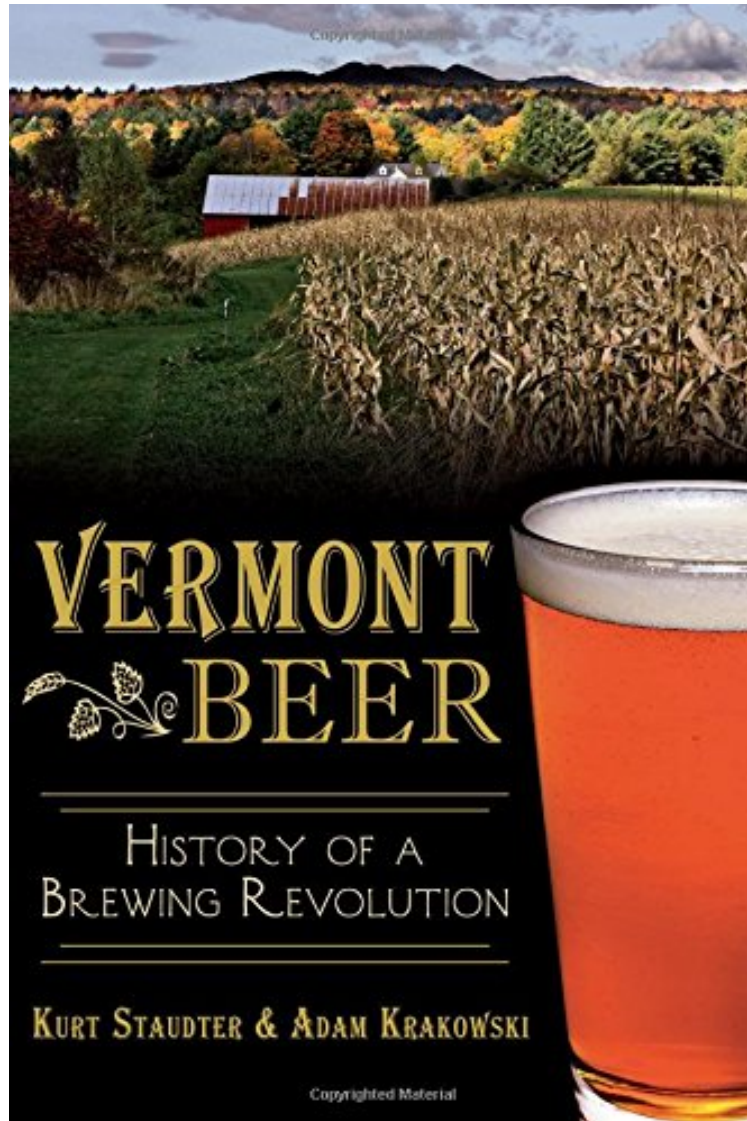


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Kurt Staudter, Adam Krakowski : Vermont Beer: History of a Brewing Revolution (American Palate) before purchasing it in order to gage whether or not it would be worth my time, and all praised Vermont Beer: History of a Brewing Revolution (American Palate):

1 of 1 people found the following review helpful. For the beer enthusiastBy R. Van AndaThis book gives all of the information to someone interested in opening a brewery or at least visiting a lot of them should know. Anyone who would like to do a beer pilgrimage around Vermont...and this is a most worthwhile adventure...should carry both

Vermont Beer: History of a Brewing Revolution and Farm Plate Vermont Beer along for the ride. 0 of 3 people found the following review helpful. Not Travel Friendly
By Gregory P. Maklae
A lot of information, but somewhat awkward to use as a travel guide, as the breweries are listed by when they were founded, and not by region. It would have made more sense to be able to go to a chapter of say, The Northeast Kingdom, and find all the breweries in that region, than have to thumb through the entire book for lesser known spots.
0 of 0 people found the following review helpful. Read up on the amazing Vermont brewing explosion...
By C. Staffa
The writing is surprisingly uneven, but it's a lot of fun to read up on the really quite amazing phenomenon of Vermont's craft brewery explosion. It's not a travel guide. Some of it is straight history; the recent years of history are given in a sometimes breathless tone, one sentence after another of time-sequenced tidbits of what was going on in the given year. Then there are sections that detail individual breweries, in the order of their founding. These are better as a reference. Reading them all, one after another, is the only time things start to feel a bit tedious.
We follow the history of Vermont brewing from its beginnings from virtually nothing in 1989 - Vermont was a dry state before Prohibition and had nearly nothing going on afterwards. It's probably not an exaggeration to say that we have one man to thank for the revolution: Greg Noonan, who started Vermont Pub Brewery. All local brewers agree and pay him homage, as a brewer, educator, and human being. R.I.P and raise a glass to Greg whenever you enjoy the fruits of this revolution!
Personal note: The years of absolute explosion in microbrewing since then roughly corresponds to the years my husband I have lived in the state (COINCIDENCE?!). And to think before moving here, my repertoire of beers consisted of "light" and "dark." Now I can and will tell you about the IBU difference among SEVERAL locally brewed Goses, and turn up my nose at any IPA and most porters and pilsners. It's amazing how much beer knowledge I have absorbed while living here, just through osmosis. OK, I didn't absorb it all through osmosis. Some was by the ordinary processes of digestion.

Vermonters love all things local, so it is no surprise that the Green Mountain State has had a thriving craft beer scene for more than twenty years. Early Vermont brewers, though, faced many obstacles in bringing their beer to the thirsty masses, including a state-imposed prohibition beginning in 1852. Conditions remained unfavorable until Greg Noonan championed brewing legislation that opened the door for breweries and brewpubs in the 1980s. About the same time, beloved Catamount also began brewing, and Vermont's craft beer scene exploded. Years ahead of the rest of the country, local favorites like Hill Farmstead, Long Trail and Rock Art Brewing have provided world-class beers to grateful patrons. From small upstarts to well-recognized national brands like Magic Hat and Harpoon, Vermont boasts more breweries per capita than any other state in the country. With brewer interviews and historic recipes included here, discover the sudsy story of beer in Vermont.

About the Author
Kurt Staudter is the executive director of the Vermont Brewers Association, representing all of the breweries in the state. He and his wife, Patti, run the association from Springfield, Vermont. He is the Vermont columnist for Yankee Brew News, and has written about beer and politics in the Vermont Standard and Vermont Magazine. He learned about beer from his first-generation German-American father, who ensured his love for good food, great beer and family were passed on to the next generation. Adam Krakowski is a decorative and fine arts conservator in Quechee, Vermont. He holds a BA in art history, a minor in museum studies and an MS in historic preservation from the University of Vermont. He has worked at museums, historical societies, art galleries and restoration firms all over New York and New England, and was the recipient of the 2010 Weston Cate Jr. Research Fellowship from the Vermont Historical Society on the project A Bitter Past: Hop Farming in Nineteenth-Century Vermont."