

Saloons, Taverns, Dives, and Watering Holes of the Twin Cities: A Comprehensive Guide

The Twin Cities of Minneapolis and St. Paul, Minnesota, boast a thriving saloon, tavern, dive, and watering hole scene. From historic establishments to cozy neighborhood bars and lively hotspots, there's a venue to suit every taste and occasion. This comprehensive guide introduces you to some of the most notable and beloved watering holes in the Twin Cities, each with its own unique charm and offerings.



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Historic Saloons

The Wabasha Street Caves (St. Paul)



Step back in time at the Wabasha Street Caves, a historic saloon established in the 1840s. Carved into the limestone bluffs overlooking the Mississippi River, this atmospheric venue offers a glimpse into the city's past. Enjoy a pint of beer or a cocktail while admiring the cave's unique architecture and listening to live music.

The 1029 Bar (Minneapolis)



Located in the heart of downtown Minneapolis, the 1029 Bar is another historic gem. Built in 1887, it has served as a saloon, speakeasy, and music venue over the years. Today, it welcomes patrons with a warm and inviting atmosphere, featuring vintage décor, live music, and classic cocktails.

Cozy Neighborhood Taverns

The Happy Gnome (St. Paul)



Nestled in the charming Summit Hill neighborhood, the Happy Gnome is a beloved neighborhood tavern. Known for its friendly staff, extensive beer selection, and hearty pub fare, it's a great place to unwind with friends or meet new people. Don't miss their famous "Gnome Burger"!

The Longfellow Grill (Minneapolis)



Located in the popular Longfellow neighborhood, the Longfellow Grill is a cozy and welcoming tavern. With a focus on local ingredients, they offer a delicious menu of American comfort food and an impressive selection of craft beers and wines. Gather around the fireplace in the winter or enjoy their outdoor patio in the warmer months.

Lively Hotspots

The Pourhouse (Minneapolis)



For a lively and energetic night out, head to the Pourhouse in the North Loop neighborhood. This popular bar and music venue offers live music seven nights a week, ranging from local bands to national acts. With a vast selection of beers and cocktails, you're sure to find something to quench your thirst while grooving to the music.

The Ivy (St. Paul)



Perched atop the historic Hamm Building in downtown St. Paul, the Ivy is a chic and sophisticated rooftop bar. Offering stunning views of the city skyline, it's a perfect destination for a special occasion or a night out with friends. Enjoy innovative cocktails, shareable plates, and live DJs spinning the latest tunes.

Dive Bars

The Hexagon Bar (Minneapolis)



For a no-frills dive bar experience, visit the Hexagon Bar in the Northeast neighborhood. This classic dive features cheap drinks, a friendly crowd, and a jukebox stocked with an eclectic mix of tunes. Shoot some pool, play darts, or simply soak up the atmosphere of this beloved local haunt.

The Alibi Room (St. Paul)



Located in the Frogtown neighborhood, the Alibi Room is a dive bar with a cult following. Known for its strong drinks, eclectic clientele, and live music, it's a place where anything can happen. Embrace the dive bar culture and enjoy the unpretentious atmosphere and cheap thrills.

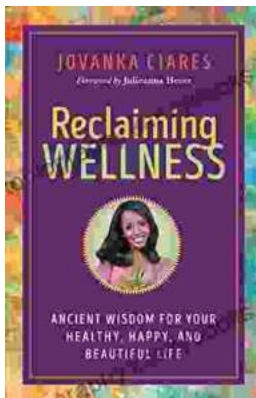
Whether you're looking for a historic saloon, a cozy neighborhood tavern, a lively hotspot, or a divey watering hole, the Twin Cities has something to offer. This guide provides a glimpse into the vibrant and diverse bar scene, but there are countless other gems waiting to be discovered. Explore the city's diverse neighborhoods, strike up conversations with locals, and find your own favorite watering hole. Cheers to the Twin Cities' vibrant and unforgettable saloon, tavern, dive, and watering hole scene!



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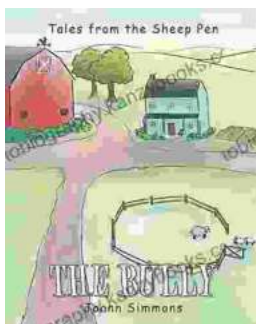
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