WHEATY BREWING CORPS

BLUESTOCKING

IN A NUTSHELL BLUE, FLORAL AND BOOKISH. BREW LIKE A GIRL.

On March 8th this year the Wheaty Brewing Corps collaborated with more than 200 Breweries from around the World on an International Women's Day brew. Whereas last year we all brewed a Red Ale to spec, this year the theme was wide open; encouraging brewers to play with a style, ingredient or method they hadn't tackled before. In the spirit of collaboration, we were joined on Brewday by Adelaide Roller Derby legends Cracky, Fury, Foxy, Pinchy and Ra, who relished the opportunity to wield mash paddles and hydration collars for a cause.

In the spirit of experimentation, we planned to brew a beer the same colour as this year's IWCBD logo: royal blue. Easier said than done, given the scarcity of naturally blue foods – and that the pigment that makes most of these foods blue, Anthocyanins, is pH sensitive – presenting as blue/purple in environments above pH 4 and red/pink in those below. Enter the Thai Butterfly Pea Flower (Clitoria ternetea); beautiful, edible and intensely blue. We knocked out through dried Pea Flowers in the Hopback and added Pea Flower tea to the fermentor. The result: an indigo/purple/blueish coloured beer that changed every day with shifts in pH. Whatever colour Bluestocking ends up being, a squeeze of citrus should make her pink(er). Not that we advocate that sort of behaviour...

STYLE BLUE ALE

COLLABORATOR(S) ADELAIDE ROLLER DERBY

MALT PILS, WHEAT, CARAPILS, ACIDULATED	HOPS HELGA, NELSON, CITRA, ENIGMA	YEAST FERMENTIS US-05
		OTHER BUTTERFLY PEA FLOWERS



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0G 1.043	PH 4.3	SRM BLUE-ISH
FG 1.008	ABV 4.5%	

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