

Crafted for the People: SweetWater's New 'Half-A-Gummie' IPA Meets Consumer Demand for Fruity, Easy-Drinking Beers

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From its Original Gummies Double IPA Line, SweetWater Introduces Half-A-Gummie IPA Featuring a Lower ABV, Offering Bold Fruit Flavors

ATLANTA, Nov. 16, 2023 (GLOBE NEWSWIRE) -- SweetWater Brewing Company ("SweetWater Brewing" or "SweetWater"), the largest craft brewer in the Southeast and a subsidiary of Tilray Brands, Inc. ("Tilray" or the "Company") (NASDAQ: TLRY and TSX: TLRY), announced today the latest innovation in its acclaimed IPA series - 'Half-A-Gummie' IPA. This new line of India Pale Ales, bursting with fruit-forward flavors, is a twist on the wildly successful SweetWater Gummies Double IPA - which launched earlier this year, now reimagined with a more session-friendly alcohol content. The original Gummies IIPA is available in cans nationwide while the innovative Half-A-Gummie IPA is ready to tantalize consumer taste buds on draft.

Building on the trailblazing success of the <u>SweetWater Gummies</u> line, 'Half-A-Gummie' IPA emerges as a natural evolution in SweetWater's pursuit of innovation and excellence in craft brewing. The SweetWater Gummies series launched as a testament to the brewery's commitment to flavor-forward and high-ABV ales, and set a new benchmark in the Double IPA category. These ales, notably the **Tropical IIPA** and **Fruit Punch IIPA** with a potent **9.5%** ABV, captured the essence of summer with their haze, juiciness, and bold, fruity flavors.

'Half-A-Gummie' retains the essence of the Gummies series—its captivating fruit flavors and aromatic appeal—while presenting a lower alcohol-by-volume content as an alternative option for consumers; The launch series of Half-A-Gummie includes the same two great varieties from the original series: Tropical IPA, and Fruit Punch IPA, each boasting a 5.5% alcohol-by-volume. These new brews are a masterful blend of fruit explosions, featuring the luscious flavors of strawberry, pineapple, orange, and cherry, culminating in a uniquely smooth, incredibly flavorful, and drinkable IPA experience.

This new line is a testament to SweetWater's agility in adapting to consumer preferences, offering a lower-ABV IPA that still embodies the brewery's signature blend of bold flavors and easy drinkability. This strategic move aligns with a market report¹ predicting a 6 percent CAGR growth in the fruit beer market over the next decade, driven by a growing preference for beers that offer both refreshing taste and a gentler alcohol presence, much like **'Half-A-Gummie'**.

"Our Gummies Double IPA has been a huge hit with consumers who crave fruit-forward, high-ABV beers. We've also discovered a strong demand, especially with our on-premise partners, for beers with a similar flavor profile and less alcohol. We're excited to offer drinkers the choice to enjoy an easy-drinking IPA with low bitterness and delicious fruit flavors while tapping into a lower ABV option," said **Ty Gilmore, President of U.S. Beers for Tilray Beer.**

Discover the revolution in IPA – Half-A-Gummie is here to redefine expectations and excite palates. To learn more about SweetWater's latest brews fans can visit SweetWater's website at: www.sweetwaterbrew.com/find-sweetwater.

About SweetWater Brewing

SweetWater Brewing Company, the largest craft brewer in the southeast, is an award-winning brewery known for its stash of heady brews including the original 420 Extra Pale Ale and loads of IPAs. SweetWater's craft beers and ready-to-drink cocktails are available coast to coast and in more states than ever before. Inspired by the outdoors, SweetWater is a passionate advocate for healthy waterways and conservation initiatives. Through its annual **Save Our Water** campaign, SweetWater continues to raise funds to support nonprofit organizations fighting for clean water and habitat conservation, including the Waterkeeper Alliance, Bonefish & Tarpon Trust, and Trout Unlimited.

SweetWater Brewery is a subsidiary of Tilray Brands, Inc. (Nasdaq: TLRY; TSX: TLRY), a leading global cannabis-lifestyle and consumer packaged goods company inspiring and empowering the worldwide community to live their very best life.

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¹"Fruit Beer Market to Achieve 6% CAGR, Surpassing US\$ 595.5 Million by 2033 Amidst Rising Demand for Alcohol-Free Alternatives," Future Market Insights, Aug. 28, 2023; https://www.globenewswire.com/news-release/2023/08/28/2732736/0/en/Fruit-Beer-Market-to-Achieve-6-CAGR-Surpassing-US-595-5-Million-by-2033-Amidst-Rising-Demand-for-Alcohol-Free-Alternatives-Future-Market-Insights-Inc.html



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Featuring Tropical IPA and Fruit Punch with 5.5% ABV