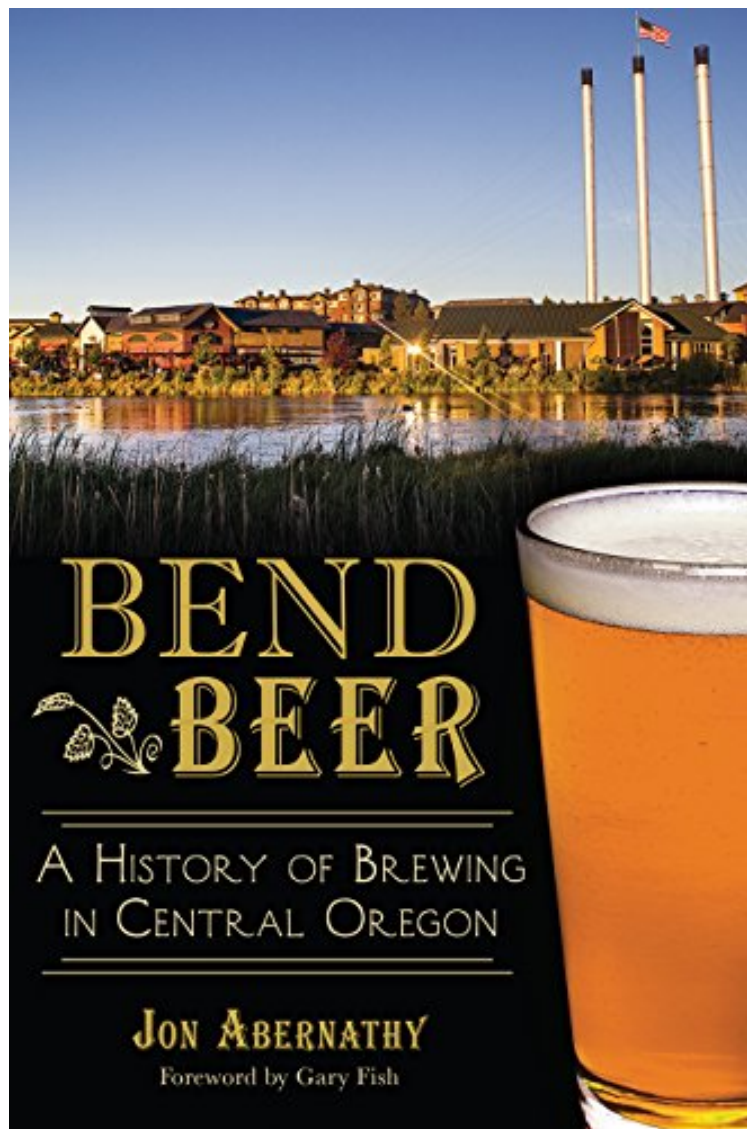


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**Jon Abernathy : Bend Beer:: A History of Brewing in Central Oregon (American Palate)** before purchasing it in order to gage whether or not it would be worth my time, and all praised Bend Beer:: A History of Brewing in Central Oregon (American Palate):

1 of 1 people found the following review helpful. Kudos and a good craft brew for you, Mr. Abernathy! By Leslie N. Patino If you enjoy reading about the early days of America's craft beer movement, I highly recommend

“Bend Beer: A History of Brewing in Central Oregon.” The book delivers exactly what the title promises, beginning with Oregon’s Wild West days and ending in 2014. As a long-time beer blogger (thebrewsite.com) based in Bend, author Jon Abernathy knows his topic well. In this, his first book, he pulls together a great deal of research and many interviews to develop a clear narrative with writing that stays lively and interesting. Numerous photos add to the book’s appeal. Perhaps the strongest aspect of “Bend Beer” is how well Abernathy explains the impact and consequences of events that have shaped U.S. and Oregon brewing history. One example I’d never considered: the role the 16th Amendment (1913, establishing a federal income tax) in opening the way for the 18th Amendment (1920, national Prohibition). Before 1913, the federal government had been much more dependent on liquor taxes for revenue. The section of the book I most enjoyed was roughly the third quarter which begins with the early days of Bend’s craft beer scene. The pace builds as Abernathy chronicles the early struggles of Bend’s first two craft breweries, Deschutes and Bend Brewing, and continues with the next half dozen or so that followed. (The list of Central Oregon breweries on Abernathy’s website currently stands at 27) Mr.

Abernathy, go open a good craft brew and celebrate a job well done!

1 of 1 people found the following review helpful.  
Well written book about Bend, OR. I was planning a trip to ski Mt. Bachelor, staying in Bend, and I wanted to know more about the area before I arrived. There were not a lot of books available. Knowing that Bend is known for its number and quality of brew pubs, I thought this book would be good. It was more than good. It was well written and informative. Lots of great pictures. It not only included a history of the growing brewery industry but also had a great history on the town and area itself and Mt. Bachelor. By the time I got to Bend, I was already familiar with many of the names and places I visited.

2 of 3 people found the following review helpful. A must-have book if you love beer and brewing!  
By Ben Abernathy  
A really well researched and written book. While the knowledge of the growth of craft beer brewing in the region is second-to-none, the added bonus of a history of Central Oregon is really fascinating! And the pictures are terrific.

With more breweries per capita than any other Oregon city, Bend is a beer mecca. Prior to Prohibition, the state had a burgeoning brewing industry and plenty of saloons to cater to the needs of the hardy frontiersmen who settled Central Oregon. The teetotaling '20s brought all that to a screeching halt. Fifty years later, the arrival of pioneers like Deschutes Brewery and Bend Brewing Company breathed new life into Bend's beer and brought about the booming industry for which the area is known today. Author and "The Brew Site" creator Jon Abernathy traces Bend and Central Oregon's hoppy history from early settlement to the present day, sharing the stories behind its most famous breweries and the communities that have fostered the industry."

About the Author  
Jon Abernathy has been blogging about craft beer for over a decade, and drinking and homebrewing it for far longer. Jon grew up in central Oregon, went to school in Spokane, Washington, graduated from Eastern Washington University with a BA in French and ultimately began working in the computer industry as a web developer after returning to Bend. Blogging was a natural outlet for a web developer with a love of writing (and beer), and in 2004 Jon launched the Brew Site, a blog dedicated to all things beer and brewing.