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**BEER NECESSITIES**  
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**MINE'S A PINT...**

OK, so you've sunk a few beers in Bishopsgate's finest hosteleries over the years.

Beck's again, sir? Oh dear. Variety is the spice of life, *mon ami*. Pick up a pen and start crossing off how many beers you've managed from this pretty astonishing chart.

You won't get far — and if you do, you deserve a lot of praise, sir. And a monumental beer belly to match.

Mapping every type of beer, this illustration is a brilliant example of how information graphics can explain an issue. Namely, how many more pints you have to sink before you can really call yourself a connoisseur.

Right, I'm off for a swift pint of Weihenstephaner Kristall Weissbier. ■ 'Beer' is featured in *Information Graphics* by Sandra Rendgen & Julius Wiedemann (Taschen, £44.99) [TASCHEN.COM](http://TASCHEN.COM)

