

## Microbrewery and Beer News # 04 TGAC

**German original Dark Beer – Brewed in the tradition of “Wippraer craft brewing”:** There is only one “Original Wippraer Bier” – traditionally brewed in the small town Wippra in the beautiful and romantic “Harz” region with its forests, hills, unique rock formations, sleepy villages, half-timbered houses – and local microbreweries. The “Harz”-breweries claim to use the purest water, a very important quality feature for an excellent beer. Wippra’s beer brewing tradition goes back to 1480. The “Museums- & Traditionsbrauerei Wippra/Harz” is very passionate about using unique historic recipes and techniques. The best way to experience that first-hand would be a guided brewery tour – or even much better, an exclusive hands-on brew seminar with the local brew master. This 8-hour event starts – like in real life – early in the morning, because the attendees will be part of the regular brewing process. But don’t worry, a hearty breakfast “Fruehschoppen” style and a beer tasting lunch will strenghten you. You can learn about the secrets of brewing awarded German Dark Beer “Schwarzbier” from people who know their stuff. The brewery Wippra won the silver medal in the category 23 “German-style-Schwarzbier” at the World Beer Cup in Colorado in 2002! And here is a tip for passionate homebrewers who travel with sympathetic friends or significant others, who rather skip a brew seminar: The region surrounding Wippra offers so many fantastic places to visit & things to do, that everyone will enjoy her/his day: a hike through the Harz forest – home of numerous witch legends and fairytales, a trip to the Luther town Eisleben – the small old town, where Martin Luther was born and where he died, a visit of the UNESCO world heritage town Quedlinburg – the probably oldest half-timbered building in Germany can be find there between over 1000 well preserved half-timbered houses from seven centuries.

<http://www.wippraer-bier.de/> (only in German available)

<http://www.thegermanamericanconnection.com>

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