



NHC 2009 Brewers' Pub Crawl Guide
 Beer without driving (or parking drama)
 from the 12th Street BART Station.
 A community service from **Beer by BART**

Overview: Bay Area Rapid Transit (BART) provides an easy way to get to good beer until midnight. This set of custom crawls shares 12th Street Oakland as a starting and end point. See BeerByBART.com to adapt or extend these with more beer destinations.

4. Hayward's hidden gem: Go south for a noteworthy (but unpretentious) fine beer bar featuring live rock 'n roll.

Enter BART at 11th and Broadway, across from the Marriott. Take the first train you see with a destination of *Fremont*. Get off at Hayward Station. Turn towards the hills. Cut around town hall buildings walkway as shown on the map, or keep it simple, exit the station "driveway" to your left to B Street, then turn right and walk east up B to Main Street.

The Bistro, at 1001 B Street in Hayward, is a neighborhood bar offering top beer selections, with an emphasis on hoppy styles, and live music. They offer a changing and carefully selected lineup of craft beers on tap, fine Belgians in bottles, plus limited food choices. The owners of this bar are huge fans of flavorful beers, and their passion shows. Famed for their festivals, including their Double IPA festival, they are an authentic, inimitable East Bay neighborhood hangout.



Add-on destinations: The historic **Buffalo Bill's** is within a block at 1082 B Street. One of the oldest brewpubs in the country, Buffalo Bill's created and bottled the first modern pumpkin ale, based on George Washington's ale making notes. Local families love this restaurant, across from a multi-movie complex.

(More? Stop by **The Englander** on the way home, at 101 Parrott Street not far from the San Leandro Station.)

Round trip walking distance BART to The Bistro is just over half a mile. (Leave the bar by 11:45 pm to be sure to get into the station for the last train back in the *Richmond* direction on the current weekend schedule. You have a few extra minutes on a weekday night.)

BART basics:

- Think "**closes at midnight.**" The last train on each line actually gets back to 12th Street around 12:30, but play it safe and get on.
- If you want to plan it to the minute look at the posted schedule at your departure station or see www.bart.gov/schedules/
- Find links to transit info, to maps, and to the pubs' websites (often offering their current lists of beers on tap), at BeerByBART.com.
- One ticket per passenger from a vending machine in the station. (Takes credit cards, bills, coins.)
- Use it twice each leg, to get in and out. The fare gates deduct from your initial purchase.
- The shortest BART hops and the minimum ticket value to enter are both now just \$1.50 (Fare increase expected at some point.)
- If your ticket is underpaid when you want to exit, first pay up at an "AddFare" machine.