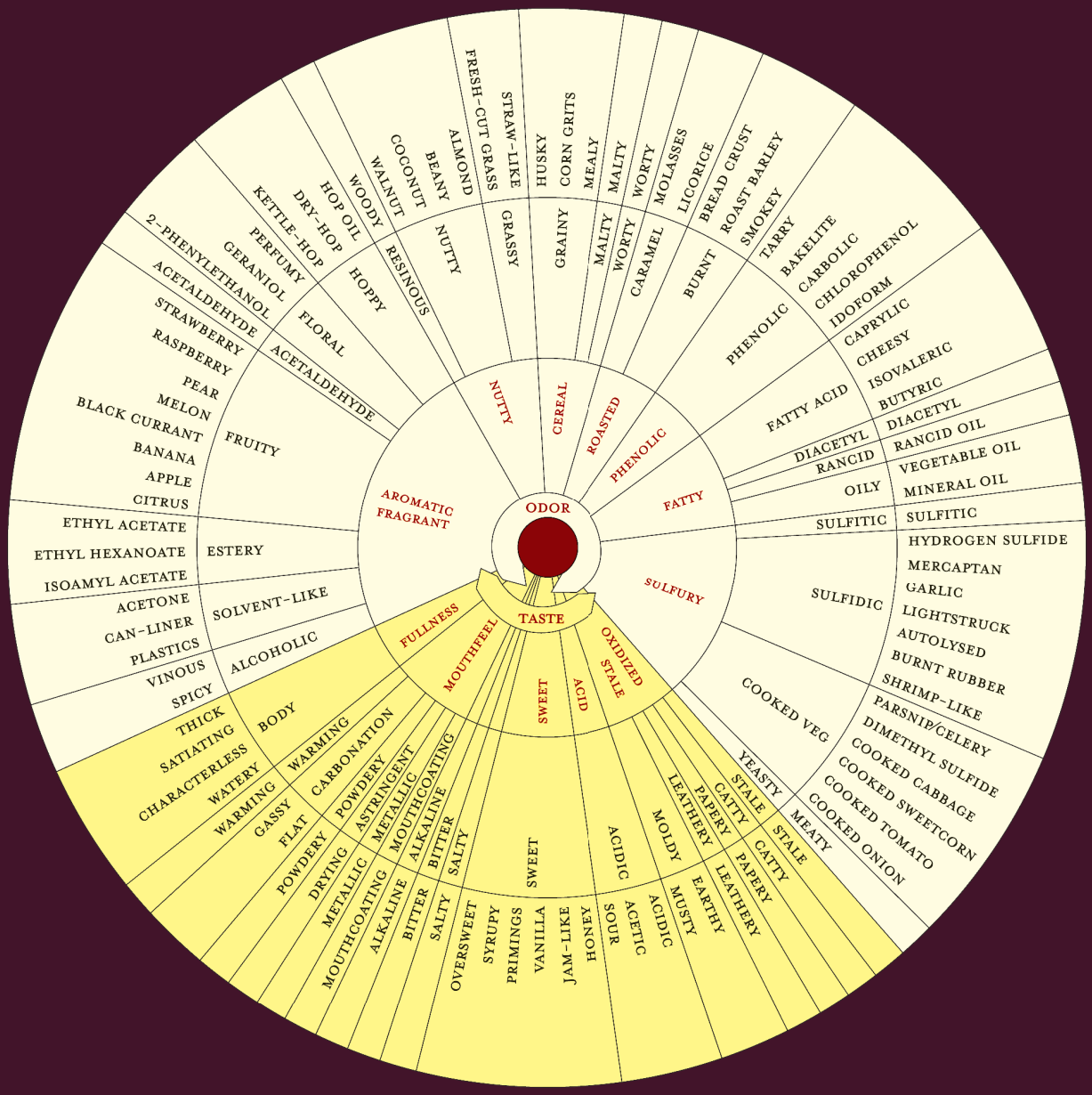
THE BEER FLAVOUR WHEEL



'The Beer Flavour Wheel, invented in 1975, adopted internationally by major brewing organisations, breaks down beer tastes into 44 flavour components grouped into 14 categories. As well as bitter, salty, sour and sweet tastes it covers mouthfeel and fullness, aromas such as resinous, fruity, nutty, malty and caramel, and a number of potentially off flavours, such as soapy, sulphury, oxidised and acidic. Tasters give scores according to the intensity of these components, creating spider diagrams around the spokes of the wheel'

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