

BEST BREWERY

1. **Ninkasi** 272 Van Buren St. 541-344-2739.
ninkasibrewing.com.

2. **Oakshire** 207 Madison St. 541-654-5520.
oakbrew.com.

3. **Hop Valley** 990 W. 1st Ave. 541-485-2337; 980
Kruse Way. 541-744-3330. hopvalleybrewing.com.

Microbrew-turned-national brand, **Ninkasi** has a corner on the brewery market in Eugene. The tasting room, brewery and administration building take up over a block in the Whiteaker district, but no one is complaining.

Besides quenching Eugene's thirst, Ninkasi donates to nonprofits via its Beer is Love program. One recent push raised \$50,000 to support McKenzie River Trust and its Homewaters Campaign.

"Without our local community, Ninkasi wouldn't be what it is today," Ali Aasum, Ninkasi's communications director, wrote in an email to *EW*. "Being named 'Best Of' is quite an honor. There are many fantastic breweries in our area, and we're proud to be a part of a community that supports our craft!" — *Max Thornberry*

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