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# Fort George Brewery goes dark this month with stout

ASTORIA — February is Stout Month at Fort George Brewery. The shortest and darkest month of the year is the perfect time to showcase the variety within this rich, dark style of beer.

Every Monday starting Feb. 1, new Fort specialty stouts are released at the pub. Grab a pint, fill a growler, or sample a blind stout taster tray. At least eight stouts will be on tap in every location at the brewery.

Different stouts include coffee varieties, Mexican chocolate stout, Russian imperial stout, an oyster stout, oatmeal and fig stout, a dirty chai stout, and even one brew called Tuesday's Lunch, a roasted peanut and blackberry stout.

The brewery will also host its popular Festival of Dark Arts from noon to 10 p.m. Feb. 13. The event offers one-offs from 45 breweries, including Barley Brown's, Block 15, Boneyard, Breakside, The Bruery, Deschutes, Ecliptic, Evil Twin, Firestone Walker, Fremont, Perennial Artisan Ales, pFriem, The Commons, Trinity, Upright and more.

The event is also a magical menagerie of art and music, craft and creation spread out over a city block. Make way for wandering minstrels,

Coast Weekend welcomes comments and contributions from readers. New items for publication consideration must be submitted by 10 a.m. Tuesday, one week and two days before publication.

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Fort George wants to share the stout love beyond Astoria. Experience a taste at these events around the Northwest:

• Fat & Stout Tuesday Celebration, Twilight Cafe and bar, 1420 S.E. Powell Blvd.,



You can try specialty stout beers with a blind taster tray at Fort George Brewery.

Portland, 8 to 11 p.m. Feb. 9.
Chuck's Hop Shop Greenwood, 656 N.W. 85th St., Seattle, Washington, 5 to 8 p.m. Feb. 17.
Parkway Tavern, 313 N.

I St., Tacoma, Washington, 5 to 9 p.m. Feb. 25.

Check the event page at www.fortgeorgebrewery.com for new and updated Stout Month happenings.

