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“Beverage possible to incorporate is ‘Rhubarb Wine.’”

“Beer Cheddar Soup” became a favorite.

Chuck Magerl, owner of Free State Brewing Co., Hoytsville

What’s Brewing in Kansas?

Brewing was recently named to the World’s Best list by the World Beer Federation. "Kansas is a region with a rich brewing history, and we’re proud to be a part of it," said Chuck Magerl, owner of Free State Brewing Company. "We believe in the power of locally sourced ingredients and the community that surrounds them."

Kansas is home to 15 microbreweries, with more on the way. The state’s biggest brewery, Free State Brewing Company, is located in Lawrence, Kansas. The company was founded in 1999 by Chuck Magerl and his partners, who opened the brewery with a $10,000 loan from the Kansas Department of Commerce.

The brewery produces a variety of beers, including a seasonal line and a year-round flagship beer. The flagship beer, Free State Lager, is a light, refreshing lager that pairs well with a wide range of dishes.

In addition to its flagship beer, Free State Brewing Company also offers a variety of other beers, including a porter, a pale ale, and a Belgian-style tripel.

The brewery is located at 824 W. 4th St. in Lawrence, Kansas. Visitors are welcome to tour the brewery and enjoy a beer in the company’s tap room, which is open daily.

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