Bangalore continues to have a great mix of breweries and cocktail bars with 8 bars featured in the 30BestBars 2022 top 50 list

As you know, we've been working with the entity <u>30BestBarsIndia</u>, the country's only independent bar ranking and awards platform, which has just unveiled the 2022 edition of the top 50 bars in the country. What is interesting is that this year, due to a three-way tie, the list features 53 names – of which, **eight bars are from Bangalore**. These Bangalore-based names include a mix of both cocktail bars, small haunts, and micro-breweries.

Known for the micro-brewery culture, Bangalore is home to over **70** micro-breweries in the city. The first micro-brewery in the city opened back in 2010, and since then Bangalore has been dubbed 'Beer Capital' of the country - with numerous breweries opening across the city. Beer culture in Bangalore stands strong, with some of the city's most loved breweries like **Toit and Byg Brewski making it to the list** of Top 50 Bars in India.

Currently, India is home to about 150 microbreweries across the country, with an expectation of doubling over the next 3-5 years. In order to recognise the efforts in this sector, 30 Best Bars India has an award category for Best Microbrewery/Taproom category. In the past two editions, **names from Bangalore won 3 of the 4 awards.**

The popularity of microbreweries has also allowed places like Toit to go national, and Windmills to go international – opening in Texas. Additionally, these microbreweries across the city are known for their expansive spaces – such as Byg Brewski accommodating up to 2000 people on a busy night.

Similarly, the cocktail culture is growing in the city – with Bangalore bars making waves in efforts for sustainability, ice programs, and indigenous ingredients. The bars and breweries in Bangalore that made it to the list of Top 50 Bars in the country, listed alphabetically, are -

- Bob's Bar
- Boteco Restaurante Brasileiro
- Byg Brewski Brewing Company
- Copitas
- Raahi Neo Kitchen and Bar
- The Library Bar
- TOIT
- Windmills Craftworks

We would be happy to set up a call with Vikram Achanta, Co-Founder of 30BestBarsIndia, to share his insights from this year's top 50.

The 2022 edition of the annual ranking of the 30 best bars in the country will be unveiled at an awards ceremony in Gurgaon on January 17, 2023. We will be sure to keep you in the loop with updates!