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Nashville-based Scott Mertie is a businessman, craft beer aficionado and the author of "Nashville Brewing," a book which chronicles the history of Music City's beer industry. He is also the owner of Nashville's newest local brewery: Nashville Brewing Company. Technically, Nashville Brewing Company is the oldest local brewery.

The brewery began operating in 1859 just outside the city center on High Street (now 6th Avenue). Though operations halted briefly during the Civil War, the brewery overcame the disruptions and re-opened in 1865 as Nashville Brewing Company. With a focus on German style lagers, the brewery continued to make quality beer through the end of the 19th century. A historical marker now marks the spot where the brewery once operated in Nashville's famous "Gulch" district.



While doing research for his book, Scott became fascinated with the city's first real production brewery, the Nashville Brewing Company. It was Scott's dream to bring this brand back to Nashville and share the genuine lager beers that would have been brewed in the later part of the 19th Century. After much research, Scott teamed up with Blackstone Brewing Company to brew these historic brands. The Nashville Brewing Company released its first beer, Nashville Lager, in December 2016.

Nashville Lager is a traditional Bavarian Helles; brewed in time-honored fashion dating back to the late 1800s. Helles in German mean "bright" and this beer truly lives up to its name. This bright golden lager is brewed with Weyermann Pilsner malt and Hallertauer Mittelfrüh hops. These imported German grains and hops give Nashville Lager a delicate malty mouthfeel balanced with a spicy hop character.