



# 35 Independent Craft Distillers That Need To Be On Your Radar

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*Small batch isn't just a buzzword. It's the now.*

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Clockwise from left: Brooklyn Gin, Clear Creek Distillery and House Spirits are a few of the spirits makers featured on our list.

It's [Craft Beer & Spirits Week](#) at Food Republic, which has us taking a close look at the small producers of fine potables. We can't go long with all of these producers, like we previously did with [86 Co.](#) and [Cathead Vodka](#). But we wanted to call out some of our favorite American craft spirits makers — as decided on by the Food Republic editors and regular spirits writers — for the next time you are sitting at the bar, or standing in your favorite neighborhood bottle shop, in need of some inspiration.

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## **House Spirits Distillery**

Former brewer Christian Krogstad founded House Spirits in 2005, opening in Corvallis, Oregon, before moving to the heart of what is now considered [distillery row](#) in Southeast Portland. Nearly a dozen spirits are available, including the award-winning Aviation Gin, Krogstad Aquavit, a Stumptown coffee liqueur and a number of small-batch whiskeys, including an unaged product that actually tastes good. [housespirits.com](http://housespirits.com)