

ERDINGER NON ALKOHOLIC WEISSBIER

PRICEWATCH – IRISH TIMES Conor Pope 2008

€1.99 FOR 500ml, €3.98 per litre

Highs: This was a real find, an alcohol –free beer from a well-known, well respected brand that has a real bite to it. It is a wonderfully refreshing, full-bodied wheat beer stripped of most of - but not all – its alcohol. It is full of flavour and fizz and really was hard to top. We also liked the fact that it fitted perfectly into a pint glass.

Lows: When it is poured properly that is. We poured with just a little too much exuberance and were left with a huge head that took an age to settle – not the beer’s fault admittedly, but still a bit of a low. It’s also quite a bit dearer than some of the other options and some might be put off by its cloudy nature, while others may have concerns that it has an alcohol volume of 0.4 per cent.

Verdict: Top class.

Star Rating: ***** Excellent