

5 Stag Do Drinking Games

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Unless you're all Mormons or recovering alcoholics, drinking games are going to form an integral part of the stag weekend. Some are great for getting the party started, some for breaking the ice, some for keeping the boys going late into the night - and we reckon the five we've cherry-picked below ought to give you a nudge in the right direction.

To make things easier we've sorted them into five separate categories, a bit like the Spice Girls. But without the crappy film.

1. EASY: Thumbmaster

A game that can run all weekend, the rules of which even a complete simpleton could understand. On arrival, nominate somebody to be 'The *Thumbmaster*'. Over the course of the stag do, whenever the Thumbmaster surreptitiously places his thumb on a table-edge, the last person to follow suit downs their drink. Hilarious, and adaptable to any environment.

2. NOISY: The Grand Old Duke of York

Indulge everyone's inherent male desire to sing loudly and tunelessly at each other, and introduce a game of Grand Old Duke. Drop a different word each time ('marched' and 'halfway' to start off with, then 'up' if you really want to screw with people), and anyone who accidentally sings the dropped word drinks two fingers.

3. MESSY: The Beerhunter

Based on the famous Russian Roulette scene in 'The Deerhunter', this involves six guys, a six-pack of beer and a little bit of luck. One beer is secretly shaken up, and the pack is then distributed to the group. Each player opens their can in turn, holding it to their forehead. The loser is obviously the bloke who ends up covered in drink.

4. SPORTY: Flip-Cup

Inherited from America, this one will appeal to the competitive members of the stag party. Divide into two teams facing off across a table, each player with a full beer in front of them. When the whistle blows, each team has to work down their line one player at a time - the challenge being to down your beer and then flip the cup so it lands face down on the table. First team to finish wins. NB. For obvious reasons, this game requires plastic cups!

5. HEAVY: The Centurion

This game is only for those with stamina and/or an attention span that lasts at least one hour. The rules are simple - drink a shot of beer every minute for a hundred minutes. Sounds pretty tame until you realise this amounts to effectively six pints of lager in just over an hour and a half. Can be made particularly interesting by rules outlawing - or at least punishing - peeing and puking. Expect carnage.