

COCKTAILS

HAPPY HOUR BETWEEN 5pm - 6pm

30% off all cocktails and spirits only

CHAMPAGNE COCKTAIL

950VT

Sugar cube, brandy, Angostura bitters, champagne

Some say a man named John Dougherty made this type of drink famous, adding brandy to champagne and winning a New York cocktail competition in 1889.

TOM COLLINS

1200VT

Gin, lemon juice, sugar syrup, Angostura bitters, soda, slice of lemon

In Hollywood during 1874, people in New York, Pennsylvania, and elsewhere in the United States would start a conversation with "have you seen Tom Collins?". After the listener predictably reacts by explaining, that they did not know "Tom Collins", the speaker would assert that "Tom Collins" was talking about the listener to the others and that "Tom Collins" "was just around the corner in a local bar or somewhere else near.

MARGARITA

1300VT

Tequila, Cointreau, lime juice

There is no solid proof who "invented" the Margarita, the most accepted of all stories is that the Margarita was invented in October 1941 in Mexico by bartender don Carlos Orozco. Don Carlos was experimenting

with mixing new drinks when a prestigious visitor arrived: Margarita Henkel, the daughter of a German ambassador. Don Carlos offered the drink to Margarita, and named it after her for being the first person to taste it.

MOJITO

1300VT

Rum, lime wedges, brown sugar, mint, ice

Cuba is the birthplace of the Mojito, although the exact origin of this classic cocktail is the subject of debate.

MARTINI COCKTAIL

1200VT

Gin, dry vermouth, olive

James Bond's favourite. The exact origin of the Martini is unclear. Numerous cocktails with names and ingredients similar to the modern day Martini were first seen in bartending guides of the late 19th century.

COSMOPOLITAN

1300VT

Vodka, Cointreau, lime juice, cranberry juice

The origin of the Cosmopolitan is disputed. It is widely believed that the drink was created independently by two different bartenders in the 1970's. Generally people have recognized that John Kane brought the drink to San Francisco around 1987 from Ohio. The same year in Manhattan, the internationally recognized version of the cocktail was created by Toby Secchini.

SEA BREEZE

1300VT

Vodka, Cointreau, grapefruit juice, cranberry juice, ice

This cocktail was born in the late 1920's, but the recipe was different from the one used today, as gin and grenadine were used in the original sea breeze. Now, thanks to the cranberry growers cooperative, which evolved into the company ocean spray, cranberry juice is a main part of this cocktail.

BLOODY MARY

1320VT

vodka, lemon juice, Tabasco, Worcestershire, tomato juice, cracked pepper

Fernand Petiot claimed to have invented the drink in 1921, while working at the New York bar in Paris, which later became Harry's New York Bar, a frequent Paris hang out for Ernest Hemingway and other American ex-patriots. The name Bloody Mary is associated with Queen Mary the First of England, whose 16th century persecution of Protestants, earned her the nickname.

DAIQUIRI

1250VT

Bacardi, lemon juice, sugar syrup

The name Daiquirí is also the name of a beach near San Diego, Cuba, an iron mine in that area and a word of Taino origin. The Daiquirí was most likely invented by an American mining engineer, named Jennings Cox, who happened to be in Cuba at the time of the Spanish/American war.

AQUANA COLADA

1350VT

Midori, Malibu, pineapple, coconut cream, blue curacao

This is Aquana's version of the classic Pina Colada. The Pina Colada was created on August 16th 1954 at the Sarabe Hilton's beachcomber bar in San Juan, Puerto Rico by its alleged creator Ramon Marrero.

MIDORI SPLICE

1350VT

Midori, Malibu, pineapple juice, cream

In bartending circles, this drink is known as an "Alien Secretion".

CHLOÉ'S MOCHA COCKTAIL

1350VT

Baileys, Amaretto, Tía María, cream, crushed ice

Sandra's own cocktail creation named after her granddaughter Chloé.

PIMM'S NO. 1

1300VT

Pimm's, slice of orange, lemon, cucumber, apple and mint, with
lemonade or ginger ale (over ice)

Pimm, a farmer's son from Kent, became the owner of an oyster bar in the city of London, near the bank of England. He offered the tonic (a gin-based drink containing a secret mixture of herbs and liqueurs) as an aid to digestion, serving it in a small tankard known as a "no. 1 cup". A Pimm's is also the standard cocktail at British and American polo matches. It is also extremely popular at the summer garden parties of British universities.

SINGAPORE SLING

1450VT

Gin, Cherry Brandy liquor, Cointreau, Benedictine, pineapple juice,
lime juice, grenadine, dash of Angostura bitters

The Singapore Sling is a South-East Asian cocktail that was developed sometime before 1915 by Ngiam Tong Boon, a bartender working at the long bar in Raffles Hotel Singapore.

OLI'S ILLUSION

1350VT

Vodka, Midori triple sec and pineapple juice, bush lime

Aquana's version of the Illusion with a hint of bush lime.

LONG ISLAND ICED TEA

1550VT

Tequila, vodka, white rum, triple sec, gin, fresh lime juice, dash of
Coke

There is some dispute as to the origin of the Long Island Iced Tea. Robert "Rosebud" Butt claims to have invented the drink as an entry

in a contest to create a new mixed drink including Triple Sec, in 1972 while he worked at the Oak Beach Inn on Long Island, NY. Various local New York references echo Butt's claims. Local rumours also ascribe the origin to either Butt or another bartender at the Old Beach Inn, Chris Bendicksen.

PASCAL'S PASSION

1350VT

Baileys, Frangelico, Tia Maria, Cream and honey blended.

Aquana's version of the Toblerone with a twist.

MANHATTAN

1350VT

Bourbon, Sweet Vermouth, Angostura Bitters, Maraschino cherry
over ice

The Manhattan likely dates back to the New York bar scene of the 1860s. But one story suggests an enterprising bartender created a new cocktail for a party thrown by Jennie Churchill at the Manhattan Club in 1874 and dubbed it "The Manhattan" in the club's honour. Jennie Churchill later gave birth to a son, Winston.