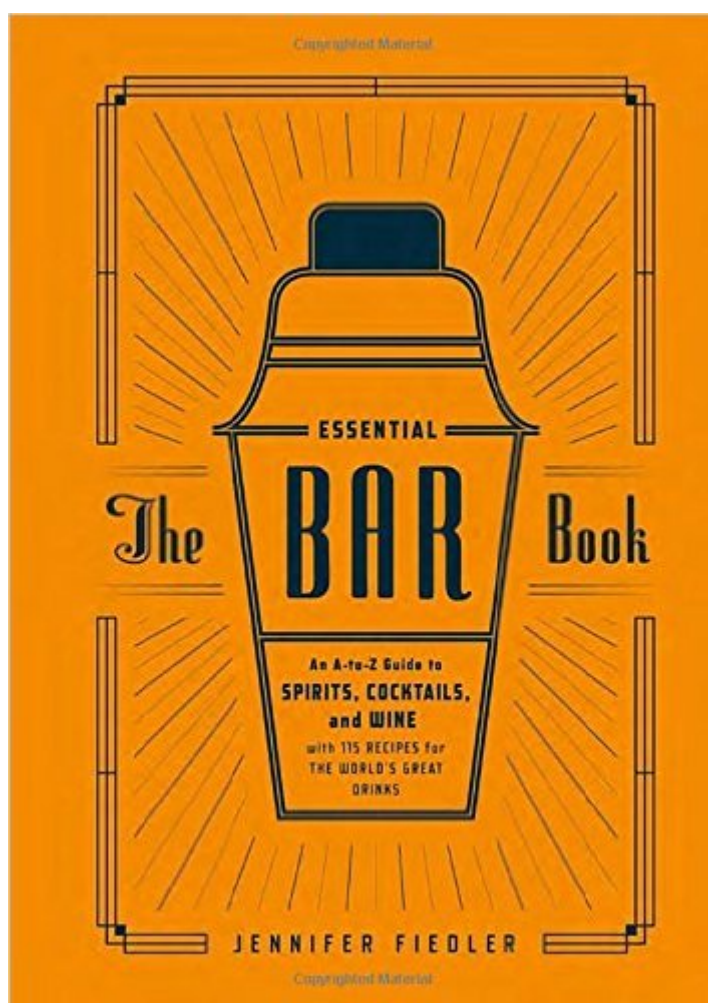


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# The Essential Bar Book: An A-to-Z Guide To Spirits, Cocktails, And Wine, With 115 Recipes For The World's Great Drinks



## Synopsis

A handsome and comprehensive bartending guide for professional and home bartenders that includes history, lore, and 150 recipes. The Essential Bar Book is full of indispensable information about everything boozy that's good to drink. This easy-to-navigate A-to-Z guide covers it all, from the tools of the trade to the history and mythology behind classic and modern drinks, and features 115 recipes for the world's most important cocktails.

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champion bar book. It's small, simple, elegant and a wonderful companion for anyone interesting in enjoying a great drink!

The Essential Bar Book is an elegant resource for anyone interested in spirits, cocktails, and wine as the subtitle states. The book is a reference guide so that anyone whether novice or experienced can ensure they are up to speed on all the lingo used in this fascinating world. In addition to the reference material provided in the book, you have access to 115 recipes of some of the world's greatest drinks. Recipes like "Dark N' Stormy", "Mississippi Punch", and "Last Word" sound very enjoyable. This book will be a definite go-to manual and reference work in my years to come. Finally, I would like to mention that the book is extremely well made with thick glossy pages which will help ensure that it last for a while. If you come across this book, I suggest you pick it up if the topic interests you. I am sure you won't be disappointed. I received this book from Blogging for Books for this review.

While The Essential Bar Book does have recipes, it is really an A to Z compendium of everything you never knew about alcohol. The recipes are for the essential cocktails - the 115 most common drinks. But the book also tells you the history of everything from Absinthe to Zombies - literally. You'll find out why we drink what we do, what goes best with what, and even what to serve it in. The information is too much to remember, but the book is simply a perfect reference to keep at your fingertips. I'm admittedly not a spirits connoisseur, but I was fascinated by everything I learned here! Five Stars. \*ARC Provided by Netgalley for review purposes.

Growing up in a strict religious environment, alcohol was forbidden, and never seen. So, as became an adult, I became enamored with the many kinds of drink concoctions that would be ordered by characters on TV and discussed by my co-workers. Some sounded interesting, others not so much. What exactly were they talking about? What was an "old fashioned" or an "old fashioned"? How do you even spell "absinthe frappe"? How good can a drink called a "zombie" actually be? Today, as a 31 year old adult, I prefer Jack neat or the occasional "Old Fashioned". But I am still curious about all those other drinks. So, I received, The Essential Bar Book: An A-to-Z Guide to Spirits, Cocktails, and Wine, with 115 Recipes for the World's Great Drinks. This book is set up like an encyclopedia, whenever I hear a word or drink that is new to me, I merely look it up in this book. But, more than a reference guide, this book also provides the history and recipes for many current, past, common, and not-so-common adult beverages. An bartender (or

are they mixologists?), cook, or home entertainer will benefit from this handsome guide. This beautifully bound book (bound in a pleather type material), with blue and white pages and text looks great on the bar or in the kitchen with the cookbooks. Even if you never imbibe any of the recipes within, this book is enjoyable to casually peruse, and makes for interesting dinner conversation.

My husband and I recently took a cocktail class and this book was a perfect way to take our class experience to the next level. We love the detail in this book and the A-to-Z format is intuitive and easy to navigate. We have already made a few fun new-to-us drinks from this (the Old Pal is new favorite -- rye+dry vermouth+campari) and learned a lot about cocktail ingredients. Love the fun waterproof cover.

Bought as a gift. I'm very impressed with the quality and style. I read lots of reviews before ultimately deciding to go with this book. One big thing was that the recipes in this book are alphabetized, where in some other books they aren't (which isn't very handy if you want to use the book as a reference!). I'm happy with my choice and I hope the giftee will be, as well.

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