

Chocolate Covered Rum



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- 1 1/2 oz. Rum
- 1/2 oz Coconut Liqueur
- 1/4 oz. Chocolate Simple Syrup – [Recipe here](#)
- 2 pinches chipotle powder
- 1 dash Fees Brothers Aztec Chocolate Bitters

1. Chill a cocktail glass with ice and water
2. Combine all ingredients in a cocktail shaker and stir with a spoon to dissolve the chocolate syrup
3. Add Ice to the shaker and shake to chill
4. Double strain into chilled glass and serve

Cheers!

MxMo CXV – Chocolate!



Mixology Monday

It's Mixology Monday, hosted by Garnish Blog, and the theme is chocolate! I absolutely love it: chocolate and booze are a match made in Heaven! We have three cocktails to offer this month: the Chocolate Manhattan, the Chocolate Covered Rum and the Chocolate Rum Old Fashioned.

Chocolate Manhattan



I attended a seminar on tequila and chocolate at the San Antonio Cocktail Conference last year. It was an epiphany! Which statement is true: “Chocolate goes with everything” or “Alcohol goes with everything?” Or both? Anyway, I used Milagro Plata Tequila which blends with the Lillet and chocolate in surprising ways. The touch of bitterness and complexity of the Lillet Rouge complements the bittersweet Godiva. This cocktail is

not too sweet, but balanced and intriguing.

- 1 1/2 oz. Milagro Plata Tequila
- 3/4 oz. Lillet Rouge
- 1/2 oz. Godiva Dark Chocolate Liqueur

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2. Combine all ingredients in a mixing glass with ice and stir to chill
3. Strain into chilled glass and serve

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Chocolate Rum Old Fashioned



I thought that a simple Old Fashioned with aged rum and bittersweet chocolate would work. It does.

- 1 1/2 oz. Barbancourt 12 yr old Rum
- 1/4 oz. Chocolate Simple Syrup

- Orange peel for garnish

1. Chill an Old Fashioned glass with ice and water
 2. Combine all ingredients in a cocktail shaker and stir with a spoon to dissolve the chocolate syrup
 3. Add Ice to the shaker and shake to chill
 4. Double strain into chilled glass, express the orange peel over the glass and serve.
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Chocolate Simple Syrup

This is like eating a 97% cacao chocolate bar. Only a touch sweet. If it's too thick, add some hot water.

- 1 oz. Water
- 1 oz. Coconut nectar or sub honey
- 4 tbls. Dagoba Drinking Chocolate mix. You can substitute another brand but I used 130% of the amount to make 1 cup of drinking chocolate.
- 1 tbls. Sugar or to taste.

1. Heat all ingredients in a small saucepan over medium heat until dissolved
2. Cool slightly before use.
3. If it's too thick, add some hot water.

Cheers!

Tequila Traditional al Cubo

- 1 part Rémy Martin Cognac
- 1 part Zaya Aged Rum
- 1 part Añejo Tequila
- 2 dashes Angostura Bitters
- 2 dashes Bitter Truth Chocolate Bitters
- 2 dashes Angostura Orange Bitters
- 1 part Tequila Old Fashioned Simple Syrup

1. Chill an old fashioned glass with ice and water
2. Combine all ingredients in a mixing glass and stir with ice
3. Strain over fresh ice in chilled glass
4. Garnish with a thick orange zest and a cherry

Yucatan Old Fashioned



This is a smoky, spicy version of the Tequila Old Fashioned. You can use an iSi Whipper for instant gratification, or give yourself a couple of days to let the

tequila infuse with the chipotle. Either way, this is an impressive, complex cocktail.

- 2 oz. Chipotle infused reposado tequila – see below
- 1 tsp. agave syrup
- 2 dashes Mole Bitters

1. Chill an old fashioned glass with ice and water
2. Combine all ingredients in a mixing glass and stir with ice
3. Strain over fresh ice in chilled glass
4. Garnish with a lime twist

Chipotle Infused Tequila

- 2-3 Dried chipotle peppers chopped
- 1/2 tsp Cocoa Nibs
- 1/2 tsp Dried orange peel
- 8 oz. Tequila (Use the type of tequila you plan to use in the base drink).

1. Add all ingredients to whipper and follow instructions for nitrogen cavitation
2. You may want to dilute this 1:1 or even 1:2 with the same tequila

Tequila Manhattan

Definitely not a chocolate martini, this is a southwestern makeover of the Manhattan.



- 2 oz. Milagro Añejo Tequila
- 1 oz. Lillet Rouge
- bar spoon (1/8 oz.) of agave nectar
- dash *Doc Elliott's Coffee Pecan Bitters*
- Orange zest

1. Chill a cocktail glass with ice and water
2. Combine all ingredients in a mixing glass and stir with ice
3. Strain into chilled glass
4. Garnish with a wide orange zest

Cubed Old Fashioned

- 1 part cognac
- 1 part aged rum
- 1 part aged bourbon
- 2 dashes Angostura Bitters
- 2 dashes Bitter Truth Chocolate Bitters
- 2 dashes Angostura Orange Bitters
- 1 part Old Fashioned Simple Syrup

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Garnish with a thick orange zest and a cherry