

The first Match bar was born in Clerkenwell in the late summer of 1997.

Our mission was to fix great drinks for a mixed crowd of grown-ups who appreciated the difference.

Our ambition was to inspire a new drinking culture where the quality of the ingredients reigned and the craft of the bartender was recognised.

Since then, we have teamed up with Dale DeGroff, the King of Cocktails, the man who made the Cosmopolitan famous and sparked the 90s cocktail revolution in New York.

This is Dale's sixth drinks list for us. Enjoy the difference.



### Match EC1

Evening Standard Bar of the Year 1999  
Time Out Bar of the Year (runner-up) 1999  
One of "the 50 best bars in the world"  
*The Independent*

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Time Out Bar of the Year (runner-up) 2000  
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### Sosho

Time Out Bar of the Year 2001  
One of "the 50 coolest places in 21st  
century London"  
*The Independent*

Please note: There is no such thing as a  
Chocolate Martini. If you think there is,  
you're in the wrong place.



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bottle 125ml gls.

## Champagne

£34

£6.50

Paul Goerg Tradition Premier Cru

£40

£7.50

Jules Feraud Rosé

Lively, easy-drinking party pink.

£55

£9.50

Ruinart Blanc de Blancs

Light, delicate, refined and delicious.

£70

Laurent-Perrier Brut Vintage 1997

Biscuity, toasty, fruity and long.

£120

Krug Grande Cuvée

Wonderful depth, complexity and power.

bottle 175ml gls.

## Rosé Wine

£16

£4.50

Match Rosé

£18

£5.00

Rioja Rosado 2004, Bodegas Tobia

Rioja, Spain.

Creamy raspberry fruit rounds off this lovely rich wine.

£24

Chateau de Capitoul Rosé 2004

Languedoc, France.

Highly acclaimed, structured, complex and sophisticated.



## Champagne Cocktails

£7.00



### Bellini

A choice of white peach, strawberry or pear purées topped with prosecco.

£7.00



### Silver Angel

Zubrowka vodka shaken with passion fruit, peach and fresh apple juice, topped with Champagne.

£7.00



### Air Mail

Havana Club Especial rum shaken with lime juice and honey, topped with prosecco.

£7.50



### The Classic Champagne Cocktail

A sugar lump doused with bitters and Reserve de Martell Cognac, topped with Champagne.

£7.00



### Match Spring Punch

The infamous Champagne punch – Wyborowa vodka, shaken with lemon juice, raspberries, cassis and framboise, topped with Champagne.



## The Matchnificent Seven

Seven of our best mixed drinks

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| £6.50 |  | <b>The Bramble* (Yul Brynner)</b><br>Tanqueray gin, lemon juice and sugar, served over crushed ice, laced with mure.  |
| £6.50 |  | <b>Cosmopolitan (Robert Vaughn)</b><br>A giant-sized measure of Wyborowa lemon vodka, shaken with Cointreau, cranberry and lime juices, flamed with an orange twist.              |
| £6.50 |  | <b>Vodka Espresso* (Horst Bucholz)</b><br>Wyborowa vodka shaken with coffee liqueurs and Illy espresso.   |
| £6.50 |  | <b>Mojito (Brad Dexter)</b><br>Havana Club Especial rum, fresh mint and lime juice.   |
| £6.50 |  | <b>Dark &amp; Stormy (James Coburn)</b><br>A devastating blend of Gosling's rum, lime juice and ginger beer.  |
| £6.75 |  | <b>Old Fashioned (Steve McQueen)</b><br>Woodford Reserve Kentucky bourbon stirred through with sugar, bitters and a lick of orange.   |
| £7.00 |  | <b>Match Spring Punch* (Charles Bronson)</b><br>The infamous Champagne punch – Wyborowa vodka, shaken with lemon juice, raspberries, cassis and framboise, topped with Champagne. |

\* Indicates a cocktail originally created by  
Match bartenders or by Dale DeGroff





## Match Originals

Some new and newish drinks created by our bartenders



### Long Mango (Rafal Szczypek, 2003)

Finlandia mango vodka shaken with triple sec, cranberry and lime juices, mango purée and a dash of passion syrup.



### Bitter Summer (Kevin Armstrong, 2004)

Tanqueray gin mixed with an exotic combination of Campari, grapefruit and lemon juices, fresh mint and a dash of passion syrup.



### Fa' afafene (Sam Jevons, 2004) °°

42 Below vodka shaken with lime and apple juices, honey and passion fruit syrups and a dash of grenadine.



### Space Gin Smash (Pete Kendal, 2004)

Tanqueray gin shaken with muddled grapes, elderflower, fresh mint, lemon and apple juices.



### Sosho Cooler (Kevin Armstrong, 2005)

Finlandia mango vodka and sauvignon blanc shaken with muddled red grapes, lemon and apple juices.



### Kamomilla Fizz (Tom Ward, 2006)

Wyborowa vodka and camomile syrup shaken with muddled fresh lemon and cucumber, topped with soda.

**All at £6.50 except °° £7.00**



# Classics

These are some of our favourite classic cocktails. Their simple elegance is often ignored by modern bars. Try them if you enjoy sipping strong drinks that taste of good alcohol or long drinks that hark back to bygone days.





£6.50



### Martini

A triple shot; wet or dry, olive or twist, gin or vodka – It's your choice.

£6.50



### Sidecar

Reserve de Martell Cognac, shaken with Cointreau and lemon juice.

£6.50



### Pink Lady

Tanqueray gin, Cointreau and lemon juice shaken with raspberries.

£6.50



### Pisco Sour

Chilean brandy from Muscat grapes shaken with lemon, sugar, egg white and a dash of Angostura bitters.

£7.00




### Margarita

Jose Cuervo Tradicional tequila shaken with triple sec and lime juice.





# Dale DeGroff's Original Recipes



Dale DeGroff is the King of Cocktails – the man who made the Cosmopolitan famous, tended bar at The Rainbow Room in Manhattan for over a decade and he is now working with us here in London.

£6.50



### South Beach

Campari, Amaretto and fresh orange juice shaken with a dash of orange bitters.

*"I was commissioned to create this drink in the early 90's, the idea was to strike a balance with Campari and this bittersweet cocktail really works."*

£6.50



### Grapefruit Julep

Wyborowa vodka shaken with grapefruit, lime and pomegranate juices and a drizzle of honey syrup.

*"The ultimate in alcoholic health drinks! The mix of fresh grapefruit and pomegranate produces a drink high in antioxidants and this is also one of my most refreshing summer cocktails."*

£7.00



### Carnivale

Agavero tequila liqueur shaken with orange and lime juices, sauvignon blanc and orange bitters.

*"In New York there is an increasing emphasis on pairing good food with great cocktails. I created this light cocktail to work perfectly with the food at the Match bars."*

£7.00



### Caipirissima D'Uva

Appleton V/X rum, Demerara sugar, muddled fresh limes, Velvet Falernum and seedless red grapes.

*"Based on the Caipirinha, Brazil's national drink, made with the local hooch, cachaça, they make Caipirinhas of many flavours in Brazil but a Caipirissima (with rum) and grapes is one of my all time favourites."*

£7.00



### Cajun Cocktail

Plymouth Navy Strength gin (114°) shaken with Fino sherry, pepper jelly and Gary Regan's Orange bitters no. 6.

*"This drink is heavily influenced by the New Orleans cocktail scene - the dryness of the sherry compliments the sweet spice of the pepper jelly and the prominent cardamom in Regan's bitters works sublimely with the botanicals in Plymouth Navy."*



## The Rum Collection

£7.00



### Piña Colada

A heady combination of Appleton V/X and coconut rums blended with coconut cream and pineapple juice.

£7.00



### Pineapple Fix

Bacardi 8 rum muddled with fresh pineapple chunks, lemon juice and cane sugar.

£7.50



### Mai Tai

Appleton V/X rum and orange curaçao shaken with fresh lime juice and orgeat.

£9.00



### Swizzle

Pyrat XO rum swizzled with fresh lime juice, Velvet Falernum and bitters, served over crushed ice.

£12.00



### Zombie

The original recipe for this all-time great and deadly drink. A mix of 5 rums (2 more than 20 years old), exotic juices, absinthe, syrups, bitters and trepidation. Strictly limited to 2 per person per night.

[therumclub.com](http://therumclub.com)



## Drinks to Share

A selection of old and new punches designed to share with friends, heavy on the liquor and lengthened with selected wines and fresh pressed juices.

£12.00



### California Soul

Wyborowa vodka shaken with passion fruit, apple juice, muddled pink grapefruit, crisp white wine and a splash of Cognac – the best white sangria in town.

£12.00



### Claret Gin Cup

Plymouth straight and Sloe gins shaken with orange and lemon juices, crushed raspberries and lightly spiced red wine. Served chilled over crushed ice.

£12.00



### Rum Bogul Bogul

Appleton V/X and rosé wine shaken with lime, mango and fresh juices, boosted with a lick of over proof navy rum – this serious rum punch is affectionately known as 'House Grog'.

£14.00



### Pinot Peach Smash

Wyborowa lemon vodka muddled with lemons, mint and white peach and lengthened with Pinot Grigio – suitable for drinking at all stages of the day and night.

£14.00



### Nicola Six Punch

A girl's best friend – Stolichnaya Raspberry vodka shaken with muddled strawberries and cucumber, lemon juice, summer berry cordial, topped with rosé Champagne, garnished with a mound of strawberries.



## Bartender Favourites

£6.50



### Moscow Mule

Wyborowa vodka, fresh lime juice and ginger beer built long and garnished with mint, lime and cucumber.

£7.00



### Port Cobbler

Graham's LBV port shaken with maraschino, muddled fresh pineapple, orange and lemon wedges served over crushed ice, topped with seasonal fruit.

£7.50



### Calamity Jane

Woodford Reserve Kentucky bourbon shaken with lemon and apple juices, maple syrup and raspberries.

£7.50



### Big Appleberry

Reserve de Martell cognac shaken with lemon and apple juices, muddled blackberries, raspberries and red grapes.

£8.50



### Boiler Maker

The classic shot and beer combination – perfect if you've just been dumped, fired or lost a loved one. Served the American way, just choose your combination.

- Paulaner and Woodford Reserve Kentucky bourbon
- Proof and Maker's Mark bourbon
- Proof Pilsen and Rittenhouse Rye
- Union and Grant's Ale Cask Scotch

Served with a match book and a single Lucky Strike

£9.00



### Orchard Silver Fizz

Jack Daniels Single Barrel shaken with pear purée, apple and lemon juices, topped with soda.





bottle 175ml gls.

£14 £4.00

£16 £4.50

£18 £5.00

£20 £5.50

£25

£28

## White Wine

Match White

Match Sauvignon Blanc

Match Chardonnay

Match Albarino

Pinot Grigio Alois Lageder 2003/4

Alto Adige, Italy.  
The Queen of Pinot Grigios.

Huia Riesling 2004

Marlborough, New Zealand.  
Light, dry, zesty and delicious.

bottle 175ml gls.

£14 £4.00

£16 £4.50

£18 £5.00

£20 £5.50

£30

£50

## Red Wine

Match Red

Match Grenache

Match Merlot

Match Pinot Noir

Katnook Founders Reserve Cabernet  
Sauvignon 2002

Coonawarra, S Australia.  
Mint and eucalyptus complexity, rich black fruit.

Château Leoville Poyferré 1997

St Julien, Bordeaux.  
An excellent top-flight claret from a good vintage.





# Beers

% abv.      bottle

4.9      £3.00

**Paulaner (Germany)**

Soft, malty, dry Bavarian 'helles' lager.

4.4      £3.25

**Proof (UK)**

Refreshing, crisp and delicious Cologne-style lager.

4.6      £3.50

**Proof Pilsen (UK)**

Voted Best Lager in the World at the International Beer Challenge 2005.

4.9      £3.50

**Union (UK)**

A Vienna lager for real ale fans.

All of our UK beers are fresh, unpasteurised and brewed according to the German purity law of 1516.





“Alcohol – the cause of, and the solution to, all of life’s problems.”

Homer Simpson

**Match Facts:**

We are a doubles bar. All spirits with a mixer are served in 50ml measures. We do not charge for mixers served with a double.

We source more than half of our wines and Champagnes direct from the producers in France, Spain and South Africa in order to bring you better stuff at a good price.

We squeeze all of our lemon and lime juice on site every day. We don’t know anybody else that does this.

We produce many of our syrups and cordials directly on site.

Our bartenders have won more awards for drink quality, knowledge and skill than any other bar group in the country.

We invest heavily in bartender training. We think you’ll recognise the difference.

All of our bars provide free wi-fi access.





### Match EC1

45-47 Clerkenwell Road EC1

020 7250 4002

 Farringdon

### Match Bar

37-38 Margaret Street W1

020 7499 3443

 Oxford Circus

Open until midnight

### Sosho

2 Tabernacle Street EC2

020 7920 0701

 Old Street/Moorgate

24 hour licence - open until 1am We/Th

Open until much later Fr/Sa/Su

Shh! Have you done a Sunday night at Sosho yet?

How was it for you? We want your feedback please - good, bad or indifferent. Every month we give away three £50 bar tabs to the most useful feedback we receive. Tell us what you honestly think about anything we should know about; whether it's our food, music, managers, service, staff, drinks or design. We need to know. Please email [feedback@matchbar.com](mailto:feedback@matchbar.com)

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#### Val Match

Rue du Club des Sports

Val d'Isere

73151 France

 Geneva/Lyon/Grenoble

Open until 2am 7 nights a week Nov to May





“The atmosphere of a great bar will affect most cultured men and women in approximately the same way. It will conjure relaxation, it will invite depth and savor to fellowship. It will encourage reflection. In short a great bar is a place of high purpose. A great bar is a way of life.”

Esquire, 1954





Please feel free to steal me



