

Chapter 16

Shots

Man, being reasonable, must get drunk; the best of life is but intoxication.

—Lord Byron



Cocktail Conversation

Note: The recipes in this chapter make approximately 2 shots per recipe, so adjust the measurements according to how many drinks you need to make.

A.B.C.

1 oz. amaretto
1 oz. Bailey's Irish cream
1 oz. cognac

In 2 shot glasses, gently layer $\frac{1}{2}$ ounce amaretto, $\frac{1}{2}$ ounce Bailey's Irish cream, and $\frac{1}{2}$ ounce cognac.

After Eight

1 oz. coffee liqueur
1 oz. crème de menthe
1 oz. Irish cream

In 2 shot glasses, gently layer $\frac{1}{2}$ ounce coffee liqueur, $\frac{1}{2}$ ounce crème de menthe, and $\frac{1}{2}$ ounce Irish cream.

After Five

1 oz. coffee liqueur
1 oz. peppermint schnapps
1 oz. Irish cream

In 2 shot glasses, gently layer ½ ounce coffee liqueur, ½ ounce peppermint schnapps, and ½ ounce Irish cream.

Alabama Slammer

1 oz. Southern Comfort
½ oz. amaretto
½ oz. sloe gin
1 oz. orange juice
1 TB. lemon juice

Fill a cocktail shaker ½ full with ice. Pour in Southern Comfort, amaretto, sloe gin, orange juice, and lemon juice. Give it a good shake, and strain into 2 shot glasses.

Almond Joy

1 oz. crème de cacao
1 oz. amaretto
1 oz. coconut rum

Fill a cocktail shaker ½ full with ice. Pour in crème de cacao, amaretto, and coconut rum. Give it a good shake, and strain into 2 shot glasses.

Baby Guinness

2½ oz. coffee liqueur
1 oz. Irish cream

In 2 shot glasses, gently layer 1¼ ounce coffee liqueur, followed by ½ ounce Irish cream.

Bad Habit

1½ oz. vodka
1½ oz. peach schnapps

In 2 shot glasses, gently layer ¾ ounce vodka, followed by ¾ ounce peach schnapps.

Banana Cream Pie

1 oz. crème de bananes
1 oz. vodka
1 oz. light cream

Fill a cocktail shaker ½ full with ice. Pour in crème de bananes, vodka, and light cream. Give it a good shake, and strain into 2 shot glasses.

Banana Split

1 oz. crème de bananes
1 oz. light crème de cacao
1 oz. vodka

Fill a cocktail shaker ½ full with ice. Pour in crème de bananes, crème de cacao, and vodka. Give it a good shake, and strain into 2 shot glasses.

Beam Me Up, Scotty

1 oz. coffee liqueur
1 oz. crème de bananes
1 oz. Irish cream

In 2 shot glasses, gently layer ½ ounce coffee liqueur, ½ ounce crème de bananes, and ½ ounce Irish cream.

Bite of the Iguana

1 oz. tequila
½ oz. triple sec
1 oz. orange juice
½ oz. lemon-lime soda

Fill a cocktail shaker ½ full with ice. Pour in tequila, triple sec, orange juice, and lemon-lime soda. Give it a good shake, and strain into 2 shot glasses.

Black Cactus

1 oz. tequila
1 oz. blackberry brandy
1 oz. club soda

Fill a cocktail shaker ½ full with ice. Pour in tequila, blackberry brandy, and club soda. Give it a good shake, and strain into 2 shot glasses.

Black Cat

1½ oz. black Sambuca
1½ oz. amaretto

Fill a cocktail shaker ½ full with ice. Pour in black Sambuca and amaretto. Give it a good shake, and strain into 2 shot glasses.

Black Sabbath

1 oz. bourbon
1 oz. dark rum
1 oz. *Jägermeister*

Fill a cocktail shaker ½ full with ice. Pour in bourbon, rum, and *Jägermeister*. Give it a good shake, and strain into 2 shot glasses.



Liquor Lingo

Jägermeister is a German liqueur made from a blend of 50 herbs, spices, and fruits.

Blue Banana

1 oz. crème de bananes
1 oz. blue curaçao
1 oz. vodka

Fill a cocktail shaker $\frac{1}{2}$ full with ice. Pour in crème de bananes, blue curaçao, and vodka. Give it a good shake, and strain into 2 shot glasses.

Boomer

$\frac{1}{2}$ oz. tequila
 $\frac{1}{2}$ oz. crème de bananes
 $\frac{1}{2}$ oz. triple sec
 $\frac{1}{2}$ oz. orange juice
 $\frac{1}{2}$ oz. lemon juice
 $\frac{1}{2}$ oz. simple syrup

Fill a cocktail shaker $\frac{1}{2}$ full with ice. Pour in tequila, crème de bananes, triple sec, orange juice, lemon juice, and simple syrup. Give it a good shake, and strain into 2 shot glasses.

Breath Freshener

1½ oz. vodka
1½ oz. white crème de menthe

Fill a cocktail shaker $\frac{1}{2}$ full with ice. Pour in vodka and white crème de menthe. Give it a good shake, and strain into 2 shot glasses.

Bubble Gum

$\frac{3}{4}$ oz. vodka
 $\frac{3}{4}$ oz. crème de bananes
 $\frac{3}{4}$ oz. peach schnapps
 $\frac{3}{4}$ oz. orange juice

Fill a cocktail shaker $\frac{1}{2}$ full with ice. Pour in vodka, crème de bananes, peach schnapps, and orange juice. Give it a good shake, and strain into 2 shot glasses.

Buffalo Sweat

2½ oz. bourbon
 $\frac{1}{2}$ oz. orange juice
2 dashes Tabasco sauce

Fill a cocktail shaker $\frac{1}{2}$ full with ice. Pour in bourbon and orange juice. Give it a good shake, and strain into 2 shot glasses. Add 1 dash Tabasco sauce to each shot.

Buttery Nipple

1½ oz. butterscotch schnapps
1½ oz. Irish cream

In 2 shot glasses, gently layer $\frac{3}{4}$ ounce butterscotch schnapps, followed by $\frac{3}{4}$ ounce Irish cream.

Caramel Apple

1½ oz. *butterscotch schnapps*
1½ oz. apple schnapps

Fill a cocktail shaker ½ full with ice. Pour in butterscotch schnapps and apple schnapps. Give it a good shake, and strain into 2 shot glasses.



Liquor Lingo

Butterscotch schnapps is a butterscotch-flavored liqueur with a base of brown sugar, vanilla, and butter.

Chocolate-Covered Cherry

1 oz. white crème de cacao
1 oz. amaretto
1 oz. coffee liqueur
1 tsp. grenadine

Fill a cocktail shaker ½ full with ice. Pour in white crème de cacao, amaretto, and coffee liqueur. Give it a good shake, and strain into 2 shot glasses. Add ½ teaspoon grenadine to each glass.

Dakota

1½ oz. bourbon
1½ oz. tequila

Fill a cocktail shaker ½ full with ice. Pour in bourbon and tequila. Give it a good shake, and strain into 2 shot glasses.

Fireball

3 oz. cinnamon schnapps
2 dashes Tabasco sauce

Pour 1½ ounce cinnamon schnapps into 2 shot glasses. Add 1 dash Tabasco sauce to each.

Flat Tire

2 oz. tequila
1 oz. black Sambuca

Fill a cocktail shaker ½ full with ice. Pour in tequila and black Sambuca. Give it a good shake, and strain into 2 shot glasses.

Freight Train

1½ oz. Jack Daniel's Tennessee whiskey
1½ oz. tequila

Fill a cocktail shaker ½ full with ice. Pour in Jack Daniel's and tequila. Give it a good shake, and strain into 2 shot glasses.

French Toast

1 oz. Irish cream
1 oz. cinnamon schnapps
1 oz. butterscotch schnapps

In 2 shot glasses, gently layer ½ ounce Irish cream, ½ ounce cinnamon schnapps, and ½ ounce butterscotch schnapps.

Fruit Bomb

1 oz. Southern Comfort
1 oz. triple sec
1 oz. pineapple juice

Fill a cocktail shaker with ice. Pour in Southern Comfort, triple sec, and pineapple juice. Give it a good shake, and strain into 2 shot glasses.

Grape Crush

1 oz. vodka
1 oz. raspberry liqueur
½ oz. lemon juice
½ oz. simple syrup

Fill a cocktail shaker ½ full with ice. Pour in vodka, raspberry liqueur, lemon juice, and simple syrup. Give it a good shake, and strain into 2 shot glasses.

Green Geisha Shot

1½ oz. melon liqueur
1 oz. Canadian whisky
½ oz. pineapple juice

Fill a cocktail shaker ½ full with ice. Pour in melon liqueur, Canadian whisky, and pineapple juice. Give it a good shake, and strain into 2 shot glasses.

Green Sneaker

1 oz. vodka
½ oz. melon liqueur
½ oz. triple sec
½ oz. orange juice
½ oz. light cream

Fill a cocktail shaker ½ full with ice. Pour in vodka, melon liqueur, triple sec, orange juice, and light cream. Give it a good shake, and strain into 2 shot glasses.

Hot Shot

1½ oz. vodka
1½ oz. cinnamon schnapps
2 dashes Tabasco sauce

Fill a cocktail shaker ½ full with ice. Pour in vodka and cinnamon schnapps. Give it a good shake, and strain into 2 shot glasses. Add 1 dash Tabasco sauce to each shot.

Indian Summer

1 oz. vodka
1 oz. amaretto
1 oz. coffee liqueur

Fill a cocktail shaker $\frac{1}{2}$ full with ice. Pour in vodka, amaretto, and coffee liqueur. Give it a good shake, and strain into 2 shot glasses.

Jell-O Shots

1 box cherry (or favorite flavor)
flavored gelatin
1 cup vodka
1 cup boiling water

Dissolve gelatin in vodka and boiling water. Pour into an 8×8 glass or Pyrex baking dish and chill. When gelatin has set, cut into 1-inch squares and serve in paper candy cups. Makes about 16 “shots.”

Kamikaze

2 oz. vodka
1 oz. triple sec
 $\frac{1}{2}$ oz. Rose’s lime juice

Fill a cocktail shaker with ice. Pour in vodka, triple sec, and Rose’s lime juice. Give it a good shake, and strain into 2 shot glasses.

Keremiki

1 oz. 151 proof rum
1 oz. *Goldschlager*
1 oz. peppermint schnapps

Fill a cocktail shaker with ice. Pour in 151 proof rum, *Goldschlager*, and peppermint schnapps. Give it a good shake, and strain into 2 shot glasses.



Liquor Lingo

Goldschlager is a Swiss-made cinnamon schnapps, better known for the 24-carat flecks of gold that float in the liqueur.

Lemon Drop

2 lemon wedges
1 TB. sugar
2½ oz. vodka
 $\frac{1}{2}$ oz. lemon juice

Coat lemon wedges in sugar, and set aside. Fill a cocktail shaker with ice. Pour in vodka and lemon juice. Give it a good shake, and strain into 2 shot glasses. Suck on sugared lemon wedges after shooting drink.

Little Leprechaun

1 oz. Irish whiskey
1 oz. Goldschlager
1 oz. green crème de menthe

Fill a cocktail shaker with ice. Pour in Irish whiskey, Goldschlager, and green crème de menthe. Give it a good shake, and strain into 2 shot glasses.

Love Hotel

1½ oz. sake
1½ oz. cranberry juice
½ tsp. grenadine

Fill a cocktail shaker with ice. Pour in sake and cranberry juice. Give it a good shake, and strain into 2 shot glasses. Float ¼ teaspoon grenadine on top of each shot.

Lube Job

1½ oz. Irish cream
1½ oz. vodka

In 2 shot glasses, gently layer ¾ ounce Irish cream, followed by ¾ ounce vodka.

Mother's Milk

1 oz. butterscotch schnapps
1 oz. Goldschlager
1 oz. light cream

Fill a cocktail shaker with ice. Pour in butterscotch schnapps, Goldschlager, and light cream. Give it a good shake, and strain into 2 shot glasses.

Mussolini

1 oz. Sambuca
1 oz. Goldschlager
1 oz. Jagermeister

Fill a cocktail shaker with ice. Pour in Sambuca, Goldschlager, and Jagermeister. Give it a good shake, and strain into 2 shot glasses.

New York Marriage

1½ oz. Irish whiskey
1½ oz. *Frangelico*

Fill a cocktail shaker with ice. Pour in Irish whiskey and *Frangelico*. Give it a good shake, and strain into 2 shot glasses.

Peanut Butter and Jelly

1½ oz. raspberry liqueur
1½ oz. Frangelico

Fill a cocktail shaker with ice. Pour in raspberry liqueur and Frangelico. Give it a good shake, and strain into 2 shot glasses.

Penalty Shot

1 oz. melon liqueur
1 oz. triple sec
1 oz. blue curaçao

Fill a cocktail shaker with ice. Pour in melon liqueur, triple sec, and blue curaçao. Give it a good shake, and strain into 2 shot glasses.

Pumpkin Pie

1½ oz. Irish cream
1½ oz. cinnamon schnapps

In 2 shot glasses, gently layer ¾ ounce Irish cream, followed by ¾ ounce cinnamon schnapps.

Purple Haze

1½ oz. Sambuca
1½ oz. raspberry liqueur

In 2 shot glasses, gently layer ¾ ounce Sambuca, followed by ¾ ounce raspberry liqueur.

Raging Bull

1 oz. coffee liqueur
1 oz. Sambuca
1 oz. tequila

In 2 shot glasses, gently layer ½ ounce coffee liqueur, followed by ½ ounce Sambuca, and finally ½ ounce tequila.

Red Devil

2 oz. vodka
1 oz. *Clamato* juice
2 drops Tabasco sauce

Fill a cocktail shaker ½ full with ice. Pour in vodka and *Clamato* juice. Give it a good shake, and strain into 2 shot glasses. Add 1 dash Tabasco sauce to each shot.



Liquor Lingo

Clamato juice is a blend of tomato and clam juices.

Ruby Slipper

2 oz. rye whisky
¼ oz. grenadine
½ oz. lemon juice

Fill a cocktail shaker ½ full with ice. Pour in rye whisky, grenadine, and lemon juice. Give it a good shake, and strain into 2 shot glasses.

Sangrita

Manhattan's Rosa Mexicano likes to keep things real, and the Sangrita is the perfect example. It originated in Chapala, Jalisco, Mexico, nearly 60 years ago in the home of Edmundo Sánchez and his wife. Because tequila was handmade, it was very strong. To temper it, Mrs. Sánchez put slices of fresh oranges, salt, and powdered red chili on the table for her husband and their guests. This mixture of ingredients was such a success that Edmundo asked his wife to squeeze the oranges in a jar instead of putting them in a bowl, and to add the salt and the red-hot chili to the mixture. It gave the drink an alluring reddish hue that later on was the basis of the name given to it, "Sangrita."

4 ancho chilies, lightly toasted and soaked in cold water for 30 min.
1 qt. orange juice
3 TB. chopped onion
4 TB. grenadine
Juice of 3 limes
Salt

Combine ancho chilies, orange juice, onion, grenadine, lime juice, and salt in a blender or food processor until very smooth. Use cheesecloth to strain, bottle remaining liquid, and refrigerate. Serve in shot glasses.

Variation: Use lime and salt if serving silver tequilas.



Cocktail Conversation

It is customary to serve Sangrita with silver "blanco," reposado, or añejo tequilas.

Slippery Nipple

1½ oz. Sambuca
1½ oz. Irish cream
½ tsp. grenadine

In 2 shot glasses, gently layer ¾ ounce Sambuca, followed by ¾ ounce Irish cream. Float ¼ teaspoon grenadine on top of each shot.

Snowshoe

1½ oz. peppermint schnapps
1½ oz. bourbon

In 2 shot glasses, gently layer ¾ ounce peppermint schnapps, followed by ¾ ounce bourbon.

Spice Cake

1 oz. Irish cream
1 oz. amaretto
1 oz. cinnamon schnapps

Fill a cocktail shaker with ice. Pour in Irish cream, amaretto, and cinnamon schnapps. Give it a good shake, and strain into 2 shot glasses.

Surfer on Acid

1 oz. Jagermeister
1 oz. coconut rum
1 oz. pineapple juice

Fill a cocktail shaker with ice. Pour in Jagermeister, coconut rum, and pineapple juice. Give it a good shake, and strain into 2 shot glasses.

Sweetheart

1 oz. coconut rum
1 oz. peach schnapps
1 oz. triple sec

Fill a cocktail shaker with ice. Pour in coconut rum, peach schnapps, and triple sec. Give it a good shake, and strain into 2 shot glasses.

T.K.O.

1 oz. tequila
1 oz. Kahlúa
1 oz. *ouzo*

In 2 shot glasses, gently layer ½ ounce tequila, ½ ounce Kahlúa, and ½ ounce ouzo.



Liquor Lingo

Ouzo is a strong Greek liqueur made from grapes and herbs with prominent licorice and anise flavors.

Teddy Bear

1 oz. root beer schnapps
1 oz. vodka
1 oz. coffee liqueur

Fill a cocktail shaker with ice. Pour in root beer schnapps, vodka, and coffee liqueur. Give it a good shake, and strain into 2 shot glasses.

Tequila Pop

2 oz. tequila
1 oz. lemon-lime soda

In 2 shot glasses, pour 1 ounce tequila and ½ ounce lemon-lime soda. Cover the shot glass with a coaster, lift the glass, bang it down on a hard surface (like ... a bar!), remove the coaster, and drink immediately.

Three Wise Men

1 oz. Johnnie Walker Scotch whisky
1 oz. Jim Beam bourbon
1 oz. Jack Daniel's Tennessee whiskey

Fill a cocktail shaker with ice. Pour in Johnnie Walker Scotch whisky, Jim Beam bourbon, and Jack Daniel's Tennessee whiskey. Give it a good shake, and strain into 2 shot glasses.

Tiger Tail

1 oz. coffee liqueur
1 oz. Grand Marnier
1 oz. peppermint schnapps

In 2 shot glasses, gently layer ½ ounce coffee liqueur, ½ ounce Grand Marnier, and ½ ounce peppermint schnapps.

Washington Apple

1½ oz. Canadian whisky
1½ oz. apple schnapps
½ oz. lemon-lime soda

Fill a cocktail shaker with ice. Pour in Canadian whisky, apple schnapps, and lemon-lime soda. Give it a good shake, and strain into 2 shot glasses.

Whistling Gypsy

1 oz. Tia Maria coffee liqueur
1 oz. Irish cream
1 oz. vanilla vodka

In 2 shot glasses, gently layer ½ ounce Tia Maria coffee liqueur, ½ ounce Irish cream, and ½ ounce vanilla vodka.

Woo Woo

2 oz. vodka
½ oz. peach schnapps
½ oz. cranberry juice

Fill a cocktail shaker with ice. Pour in vodka, peach schnapps, and cranberry juice. Give it a good shake, and strain into 2 shot glasses.

Wookie

1 oz. amaretto
1 oz. peach schnapps
1 oz. heavy cream

Fill a cocktail shaker with ice. Pour in amaretto and peach schnapps. Give it a good shake, and strain into 2 shot glasses. Float ½ ounce heavy cream on top of each.