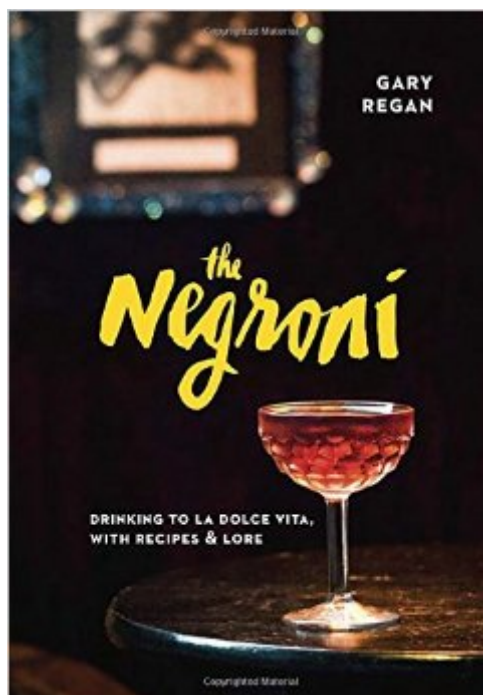


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The Negroni: Drinking To La Dolce Vita, With Recipes & Lore



Synopsis

A history of one of the world's most iconic cocktails--originally an Italian aperitivo, but now a staple of craft bar programs everywhere--with 60 recipes for variations and contemporary updates. The Negroni is one of the simplest and most elegant drink formulas around: combine one part gin, one part sweet vermouth, and one part Campari, then stir and serve over ice. This bitter, sweet, and smooth drink has inspired countless variations as well as legions of diehard aficionados. In *The Negroni*, Gary Regan--barman extraordinaire and author of the iconic book *The Joy of Mixology*--delves into the drink's fun, fascinating history (its origin story is still debated, with battling Italian noblemen laying claim) and provides techniques for modern updates (barrel aging and carbonation among them). Sixty delightfully varied and uniformly tasty recipes round out this spirited collection, which is a must-have for any true cocktail enthusiast.

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"I've a passion for all things bitter- save for the odd ex-girlfriend."Cocktail making is an elusive art, especially for a girl whose idea of drinking in college was Mike's Hard Lemonade and wine bottles with pictures of desserts.in 2015, and it's time to adult.Gary "Gaz" Regan, well known expert bartender, the Julia Child of booze, authors this little treat of a book, which outlines the history of the Negroni cocktail, along with an assortment of drink recipes. Equal part gin, vermouth (sweet), and Campari, this is a cocktail in a world of its own. I was glad to try a drink with an unexpected bite to it, similar to trying wasabi for the first time. Regan not only serves up multiple recipes, he explores the

deep history of the Negroni's inception, and the impact it's made around the world. I loved the alternative recipes, learning that if I ordered an Americano in a bar, instead of watered down espresso, I would get the classic Negroni, subbed with club soda instead of gin (pop! fizz! cilnk!). I thought my favorite recipe would be the Bitter French, intended as a twist on the French 75 (sidenote: when did the French 75 become the new Cosmo?). The winner in my book was the Caricature Cocktail, a citrusy twist on the classic Negroni with Cointreau (subconsciously seeking my Cosmo, after all). Much to my taste buds' delight, both recipes include an unexpected complementary ingredient- grapefruit! The little book packs a big punch. However (and I can speak from experience), it's light enough to carry to the local Binny's. I would recommend this title for folks looking to broaden their horizon of cocktails, and for that cocktail aficionado who always knows what to serve.

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