

# *The* **BITTER TRUTH**



*For Better Drinks*

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# The BITTER TRUTH®

✦ The Bitter Truth was established by passionate bartenders Stephan Berg and Alexander Hauck in idyllic Bavaria in 2006.

✦ Their intention was to supply bar aficionados with cocktail bitters that have not been seen in a century.

✦ Both men gained experience making small batch cocktail bitters for the bars they represented.

✦ For years Stephan has been collecting ancient cocktail books and authentic bitters from the late 19th and early 20th century, and these were the inspiration for their first choice of cocktail bitters flavors.

✦ Alexander, who is also a graphic designer, created the distinctive look and feel of the brand.

✦ The bitters are specifically designed for recreating classic drinks made true to the original recipe or for experimentation with modern cocktail creations.



## COMPANY HISTORY

✦ The range of bitters grew steadily and The Bitter Truth expanded their collection to include products like liqueurs and flavored spirits; again, produced using only the best quality natural ingredients.

✦ The Bitter Truth have received multiple awards for their products and continue to innovate in their beloved bar world.

✦ In 2007 The Bitter Truth started working with Haromex Development, an independent family company established in 1992, based in Brueggen, Germany.

✦ Since 2009 Haromex is the exclusive worldwide distributor for all of their products and the pivotal point for all market management of The Bitter Truth.

✦ The company now focuses on bringing the world's best bitters to professional bar and F&B staff as well as consumers who intend to enhance the overall drinking experience of cocktails and mixers they create.



✦ When the first settlers came to America in the 17th century they couldn't rely on professional medication.

✦ Bitters were considered as medicine not as a beverage.

✦ Some day bartenders started using bitters in mixed drinks to improve them since good quality spirits were hardly available in the 18th and 19th century.

✦ That is why bitters became so popular and the defining ingredient in a drink category called »Cocktails«.

✦ The use of bitters underlined the healthy benefit of the cocktail and added additional flavors and complexity.

✦ Since water wasn't as clear as it is today and contained germs and other bacteria, cocktails with bitters were already consumed in the morning to offer some protection.

✦ Before 1906 bitters were sold as »patent medicine«.

✦ Outrageous claims concerning the healing powers of bitters were made by producers.



✦ In the USA the »Pure Food and Drugs Act« (1906) was passed to put a halt to false claims. Bitters lost their reputation as medicine.

✦ In 1919 prohibition was adopted in the USA and almost all domestic bitters brands disappeared.

✦ While cocktail culture in the USA almost died out, it was getting more popular in Europe.

✦ Drinks were simplified and bitters were omitted.

✦ Due to a change in consumers' taste, lighter and less aromatic drinks were in demand in the years after prohibition.

✦ The end of the 20th century brought a renaissance of the cocktail.

✦ To recreate classic cocktail recipes, long forgotten ingredients – like bitters – were revived.

✦ The Bitter Truth has played a determining role in the revival of those classic ingredients.



1 Only ingredients of **highest quality** are used for The Bitter Truth products



2 **Maceration & Percolation:**  
Extraction of flavors by soaking ingredients in alcohol or water



3 **Long extraction period:**  
Depending on the product the maceration process can take up to 2 months



6 As a last step the product is eventually tinged, filtered, bottled and labeled



4 After the maceration/percolation process is finished water or alcohol is added to set the liquid to its final alcohol strength

5 **Maturation period:**  
The product is then filled in casks for harmonization



7 It's valuable and time-consuming to produce The Bitter Truth - Cocktail Bitters. Our traditional manufacturing process guarantees an unparalleled and superior taste. Only the best quality is released to our customers!



# BITTERS EXPLAINED

BY TED »DR. COCKTAIL« HAIGH

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## UNIQUE PRODUCT FEATURES

Core set of 4 bitters (Aromatic, Orange, Creole & Celery) basically complements any cocktail

Bartender-/user-friendly packaging with unique handling properties

Proprietary good grip, brown glass bottle to protect against degradation caused by sunlight

Best value for money: 200 ml bottle

Dasher instead of dropper

Most awarded bitters range

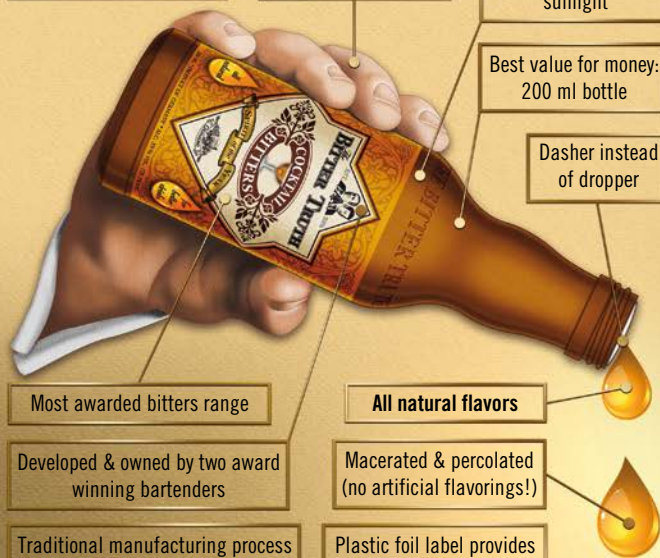
Developed & owned by two award winning bartenders

Traditional manufacturing process based on authentic recipes

All natural flavors

Macerated & percolated (no artificial flavorings!)

Plastic foil label provides clean look



## THE SPICE RACK FOR YOUR BAR

*Adding  
Flavor, Complexity & Balance  
to your Drinks*



# THE RETURN OF A LEGEND



BOGART'S BITTERS can arguably be said to have started the cocktail movement as it was the first ever mentioned bitters in the very first cocktail book published in 1862, written by the most famous bartender of those days, Jerry Thomas – a name, synonymous with the first golden age of the cocktail.

Although no bottles of the Jerry Thomas era ever surfaced, the common belief is that Bogart's was a kind of misspelling of Boker's Bitters at that time. Still the impact for the development of the cocktail is without question.



*Jamie Boudreau*

*Canon: Whiskey and Bitters Emporium Seattle*



# The BITTER TRUTH®



• All natural flavors

• Most awarded bitters range

• Ideal for cocktails and long drinks

• Authentic recipe made the traditional way

• Goes well with any kind of spirit

• Created by bartending professionals

## BOGART'S BITTERS

- A meticulously crafted, true to the original, replica of the world's first mentioned bitters in cocktails.
- Bottled in the original, iconic „lady leg“ bottle with its authentic labeling.
- Dark, brown in color it revives the taste of bartendings early years when aromatic bitters were the defining ingredient for a refined alcoholic refreshment – the cocktail.

### TASTING NOTES

- A beautiful mix of dark spice, chocolatey coffee and European herbs.

### GIN COCKTAIL

2 oz Gin  
3-4 dashes **The Bitter Truth - Bogart's Bitters**  
3-4 dashes **Gum/Sugar Syrup**  
1-2 dashes **Curaçao Orange Liqueur**

*Shake ingredients with ice and strain into a cocktail glass.*



### JAPANESE COCKTAIL

2 oz Brandy  
1/2 barspoon **The Bitter Truth - Bogart's Bitters**  
15 ml **Orgeat Syrup**  
1-2 pieces **Lemon Peel**

*Pour all ingredients into a tumbler filled with ice and stir.*





*Bitters*

# The BITTER TRUTH®



User-friendly packaging with unique handling properties

Plastic foil label

Dasher instead of dropper

Goes well with any kind of spirit

Ideal for Old Fashioned Cocktails

**GOLD MEDAL**  
Beverage Testing  
Institute  
Chicago, USA  
2013

All natural flavors

Created by bartending professionals

Authentic recipe made the traditional way

**SILVER MEDAL**  
International Spirits  
Competition  
Los Angeles, USA  
2013

## AROMATIC BITTERS

- Refers to one of the most classic bitters styles.
- Excellently suited for Whisky and Rum drinks (e.g. Manhattan, Old Fashioned).
- Adds structure and complexity to fruity cocktails.

### TASTING NOTES

- Bitter and tangy to the taste.
- Reminiscent of cinnamon, cardamom, anise and cloves.
- Reminds one of gingerbread.

## HORSE'S NECK

2 oz Bourbon Whiskey  
3 dashes The Bitter Truth -  
Aromatic Bitters  
fill up with Ginger Ale

*Pour ingredients into long drink glass filled with ice.*



## MANHATTAN COCKTAIL

2 oz Rye/Bourbon Whiskey  
3/4 oz Sweet Red Vermouth  
3 dashes The Bitter Truth -  
Aromatic Bitters

*Stir ingredients with ice and strain into a cocktail glass.*



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Ideal for Martini Cocktails

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Competition  
Los Angeles, USA  
2013

## ORANGE BITTERS

- A combination of different orange peels, herbs and spices.
  - Essential for classic Martini Cocktails.
  - Can be combined with clear and aged spirits.

### TASTING NOTES

- Fruity sweetness followed by a bitter taste.
  - Orange peel is in the foreground.
- Completed by cardamom, caraway and nutmeg.

## RUM/WHISKY & COLA

2 oz Rum/Whisky  
3 dashes The Bitter Truth - Orange Bitters  
fill up with Cola

*Pour ingredients into long drink glass filled with ice.*



## DRY MARTINI COCKTAIL

2 oz Gin  
1/4 oz Dry Vermouth  
2 dashes The Bitter Truth - Orange Bitters

*Stir ingredients with ice and strain into a cocktail glass.*



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**BEST  
NEW PRODUCT**  
Tales of the Cocktail  
Spirited Awards  
New Orleans, USA  
2010

**SPIRIT  
OF THE YEAR**  
Mixology Bar Awards  
Berlin, Germany  
2008

**SILVER MEDAL**  
International Spirits  
Competition  
Los Angeles, USA  
2010/13

**SILVER MEDAL**  
Beverage Testing  
Institute  
Chicago, USA  
2013

## ORIGINAL CELERY BITTERS

- First celery bitters to be offered in decades.
- Enriches cocktails with unusual vegetal flavors.
- Ideal for traditional corpse-reviver cocktails (e.g. Bloody Mary).
- Suited for Margaritas, Daiquiris and Gin & Tonics.

### TASTING NOTES

- Very complex and exotic.
- Well-balanced palate with celery, lemongrass, orange peel and ginger.

## BLOODY MARY

2 oz Vodka/Gin  
4 dashes The Bitter Truth - Celery Bitters  
1/4 oz Lemon Juice  
4 oz Tomato Juice  
Worcestershire Sauce,  
Tabasco, Salt & Pepper

Shake ingredients  
with ice and strain  
into a tumbler.



## GIN/VODKA & TONIC

2 oz Gin/Vodka  
2 dashes The Bitter Truth -  
Celery Bitters  
fill up with Tonic Water

Pour ingredients into a long drink  
glass filled  
with  
ice.



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Dasher instead of dropper

Appealing color

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Beverage Testing Institute  
Chicago, USA  
2013

**BEST BITTERS**  
Bartender's Best Award  
London, UK  
2014

**SILVER MEDAL**  
International Spirits Competition  
Los Angeles, USA  
2010/13

**DISCOVERY OF THE YEAR**  
Slovak Bar Awards,  
Bratislava, Slovakia  
2010

## CREOLE BITTERS

- Reminiscent of bitters dating back to an era before cocktails even existed.
- Goes well with clear and aged spirits.
  - Reflects the Creole way of life.
    - Red tinged.
- Very tasty in Caipirinhas.

### TASTING NOTES

- Bitter, sweet and spicy.
- Fruity and floral aromas unite with anise, caraway and fennel.

## CREOLE HIGHBALL

2 oz Cognac/Bourbon Whiskey  
2 dashes The Bitter Truth -  
Creole Bitters  
fill up with 7 Up/Sprite

*Pour ingredients into long drink glass filled with ice.*



## PINK CAIPIRINHA

2 oz Cachaça (Brazilian Rum)  
3 dashes The Bitter Truth -  
Creole Bitters  
1 Lime (chopped)  
2 barspoons Cane Sugar

*Muddle lime and sugar in a tumbler, add all other ingredients and ice and stir.*



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**BRONZE MEDAL**  
International Spirits Competition  
Los Angeles, USA  
2013

## LEMON BITTERS

- The first lemon bitters on the market.
- Adds liveliness and freshness of lemons to every cocktail.
- Primarily suited for drinks based on clear spirits (e.g. Vodka, Gin, Tequila).

### TASTING NOTES

- Fresh and fruity-tangy, bitter to the taste.
  - Intense citrus note.
- Coriander and cardamom in the background.

## GIN FIZZ

2 oz Vodka/Gin  
3 dashes The Bitter Truth - Lemon Bitters  
1 oz Lemon Juice  
3/4 oz Sugar Syrup  
fill up with Soda Water

*Shake all ingredients (except soda water) with ice and strain into a long drink glass filled with ice. Fill up with soda water.*



## COSMOPOLITAN

2 oz Vodka  
1/4 oz Orange Curaçao  
3 dashes The Bitter Truth - Lemon Bitters  
1/4 oz Lime Juice  
1 oz Cranberry Juice

*Shake ingredients with ice and strain into a cocktail glass.*



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2013

## GRAPEFRUIT BITTERS

- Reminds one of warm and sunny summer days.
- Adds new layer of complexity to cocktails and long drinks.
  - Best friends to all clear spirits.

### TASTING NOTES

- Bitter, fresh and complex.
- Dominant grapefruit aroma.
- Subtle vegetal notes of hops and green tea.

## GIMLET

2 oz **Vodka/Gin**  
3 dashes **The Bitter Truth - Grapefruit Bitters**  
3/4 oz **Lime Cordial**

*Stir ingredients with ice and strain into a cocktail glass.*



## GRAPEFRUIT MARGARITA

2 oz **Tequila**  
3/4 oz **Orange Curaçao**  
3/4 oz **Lime Juice**  
3 dashes **The Bitter Truth - Grapefruit Bitters**

*Shake ingredients with ice and strain into a cocktail glass.*



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International Spirits  
Competition  
Los Angeles, USA  
2013

## CHOCOLATE BITTERS

- Modern interpretation of classic aromatic bitters.
- Adds complex piquancy and chocolate flavor to cocktails and long drinks.
- Goes exceptionally well with aged spirits (e.g. Whisk(e)y, Rum, Brandy, Tequila).

### TASTING NOTES

- Dark, rich and complex.
- Bitter chocolate notes unite with warm spices of cinnamon and vanilla.

## MARTINEZ COCKTAIL

2 oz Old Tom Gin  
1 oz Sweet Red Vermouth  
1 barspoon Maraschino Liqueur  
3 dashes The Bitter Truth -  
Chocolate Bitters

*Stir ingredients with ice and strain into a cocktail glass.*



## SHERRY COBBLER

2 oz Sherry, medium dry  
3 dashes The Bitter Truth -  
Chocolate Bitters  
1/2 Orange Slice  
1/6 Pineapple Slice

*Muddle fruits in a tumbler, add all other ingredients and crushed ice and stir.*



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Beverage Testing Institute  
Chicago, USA  
2013

**BEST OF CATEGORY**  
International Spirits Competition  
Los Angeles, USA  
2010

**GOLD MEDAL**  
International Spirits Competition  
Los Angeles, USA  
2010

## JERRY THOMAS BITTERS

- Based on a recipe by Jerry Thomas (famous bartender of the 19th century).
- Improved formula to comply with today's demands.
  - Can be used like regular aromatic bitters.
- Ideal for drinks based on aged spirits (e.g. Whisk(e)y, Rum, Brandy, Tequila).

### TASTING NOTES

- Very fruity and very bitter.
- Citrus and dried fruit aromas unite with the spicy and bitter flavors of cloves, angostura bark and cinnamon.

## BRANDY CRUSTA

2 oz Cognac  
1/2 oz Orange Curaçao  
2 dashes The Bitter Truth - Jerry Thomas Bitters  
1/4 oz Lemon Juice

*Shake with ice and strain into a cocktail glass.*



## RUM & GINGER

2 oz Aged Rum  
2 dashes The Bitter Truth - Jerry Thomas Bitters  
fill up with Ginger Ale

*Pour ingredients into long drink glass filled with ice.*



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Beverage Testing Institute  
Chicago, USA  
2014

## PEACH BITTERS

- A combination of fresh peach aroma and subtle spicy flavors.
- Adds an exquisite fruitiness to cocktails and long drinks.
- Goes well with clear and aged spirits.

### TASTING NOTES

- Fruity with a faint almond bitterness from the pits.
- The natural aroma of fresh peaches dominates.
- Completed by fresh citrus and unobtrusive spice flavors.

## PEACH GIMLET

2 oz Vodka/Gin  
3 dashes **The Bitter Truth - Peach Bitters**  
3/4 oz Lime Cordial

*Stir ingredients with ice and strain into a cocktail glass.*



## PEACH OLD FASHIONED

2 oz Bourbon Whiskey  
5 dashes **The Bitter Truth - Peach Bitters**  
1/2 oz Sugar Syrup

*Pour all ingredients into a tumbler filled with ice and stir.*



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International Spirits Competition  
Los Angeles, USA  
2014

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## TONIC BITTERS

- Made to provide an authentic Gin and Tonic experience.
- Combination of grapefruit, Sicilian lemon, lime and Seville oranges.
- Perfect for cocktails and long drinks based on clear spirits.

### TASTING NOTES

- Exotic notes of citrus and spice.
- Grassy-fresh Japanese green tea bouquet.
- Backed up with herbal notes from juniper berries, coriander seeds and mace.

### GIN/VODKA & TONIC

2 oz Gin/Vodka  
3 dashes The Bitter Truth - Tonic Bitter  
fill up with Tonic Water

*Pour ingredients into long drink glass filled with ice.*



### TI PUNCH

2 oz Rhum Agricole  
2 dashes The Bitter Truth - Tonic Bitters  
2 Lime Wedges  
1 barspoon Sugar

*Pour ingredients into a tumbler filled with ice and stir.*



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Institute  
Chicago, USA  
2015

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## CUCUMBER BITTERS

- Unadulterated impressions of fresh green cucumber.
- Enriches cocktails with unusual vegetal flavors.
- Perfect in combination with white spirits.
- Exciting new mixing options.

### TASTING NOTES

- Fresh green cucumber with grassy notes of herbs de Provence.
- Light & inviting with aromas of freshly cut cucumber peel and balanced bitter notes.

### GAZPACHO

2 oz Vodka/Gin  
4 dashes The Bitter Truth -  
Cucumber Bitters  
1 barspoon White Balsamic Vinegar  
4 oz Vegetable Juice  
Salt & Pepper  
Tabasco



Shake ingredients with ice and strain into a tumbler.

### GARDEN COCKTAIL

1 oz Gin  
1 oz The Bitter Truth -  
Elderflower Liqueur  
2 dashes The Bitter Truth -  
Cucumber Bitters



Shake ingredients with ice and strain into a cocktail glass.

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**SILVER MEDAL**  
Wine & Spirits  
Wholesalers of America  
Orlando, USA  
2017

**TOP 5**  
Best New European  
Spirit & Bar Product  
Mixology Bar Awards  
Berlin, Germany  
2017

**TOP 10**  
Best New Product  
Tales of the Cocktail  
Spirited Awards  
New Orleans, USA  
2017

## OLIVE BITTERS

- Add Mediterranean aromas to your drinks.
- Delicate green olive flavors.
- Soft hints of salt and notes of brine, mustard, sage and thyme.
- A perfect match for all white spirits and fortified wines.

### TASTING NOTES

- Salty aromas of green and black olives with a touch of vinegar.
- Laid back notes of garlic rounding out an overall savory flavor profile with gentle bitter notes.

## OLIVE SHRUB

2 oz Blanco Tequila  
1 barspoon Apple Vinegar  
1/4 oz Agave Syrup  
2 dashes The Bitter Truth -  
Olive Bitters

*Shake ingredients with ice and strain into a tumbler filled with ice.*



## DIRTY MARTINI

2 oz Gin or Vodka  
1/4 oz Dry Vermouth  
2 dashes The Bitter Truth -  
Olive Bitters

*Shake ingredients with ice and strain into a cocktail glass.*



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All natural  
flavors

Most  
awarded  
bitters  
range

Ideal as  
a gift and  
for traveling

Ideal for  
cocktails and  
long drinks



## COCKTAIL BITTERS TRAVELER'S SET

- Can easily be carried in (hand) luggage.
- Perfect drinks during travels.
- Ideal addition to anybody's home bar.
- Always have your best drinks enhancer at hand.

### THE SET INCLUDES THE FOLLOWING 5 FLAVORS

Aromatic Bitters, Original Celery Bitters, Orange Bitters,  
Creole Bitters & Jerry Thomas Bitters.

#### HORSE'S NECK

2 oz Whisk(e)y  
3 dashes The Bitter Truth -  
Bitters (any)  
fill up with Ginger Ale

Pour ingredients into a glass,  
filled with ice and stir.



#### BLOODY MARY

2 oz Vodka/Gin  
3 dashes The Bitter Truth -  
Celery Bitters  
4 oz Tomato Juice  
Tabasco, Salt & Pepper

Pour ingredients  
into a glass  
filled with ice  
and stir.



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Authentic  
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the traditional  
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## COCKTAIL BITTERS BAR PACK

- Can easily be carried in (hand) luggage.
- Perfect drinks during travels.
- Ideal addition to anybody's home bar.
- Always have your best drinks enhancer at hand.

### THE SET INCLUDES THE FOLLOWING 5 FLAVORS

Tonic Bitters, Peach Bitters, Olive Bitters, Cucumber Bitters & Chocolate Bitters

#### GIN/VODKA & TONIC

2 oz Gin/Vodka  
2 dashes The Bitter Truth - Tonic Bitters/  
Cucumber Bitters/Olive Bitters  
fill up with Tonic Water

*Pour ingredients into a long drink glass  
filled with ice.*



#### OLD FASHIONED COCKTAIL

2 oz Whisk(e)y  
3 dashes The Bitter Truth -  
Peach Bitters/Chocolate Bitters  
1 Sugar Packet

*Pour ingredients into a glass,  
dissolve sugar in liquid, add ice  
and stir.*





*Liqueurs*

# The BITTER TRUTH®

## E\*\*X\*\*R BITTER LIQUEUR

**DOUBLE  
GOLD MEDAL**  
WSWA Wine & Spirits  
Competition,  
Las Vegas, USA  
2014

**EXCELLENT,  
HIGHLY RECOMMENDED**  
Ultimate Spirits  
Challenge  
New York City, USA  
2011

**BEST IN CLASS**  
International Wine  
& Spirits Competition  
London, UK  
2011

**SILVER MEDAL**  
International Spirits  
Competition  
Los Angeles, USA  
2011



All natural  
flavors

Ideal for  
cocktails,  
long drinks  
and straight  
on ice

- Refers to the origins of herbal liqueurs made by alchemists and monks.
- Firmly rooted in the traditions of alpine digestive tonics.
- Reveals characteristics of classic sweet vermouths.

### TASTING NOTES

- Clean, aromatic and herbaceous.
- Fruity flavors of rhubarb and orange unite with gentian, myrrh, mint and more.
- Embodies the caramel sweetness of cream sherry and bitter flavors of a classic Italian Amaro.

### E\*\*X\*\*R & GINGER

2 oz The Bitter Truth - E\*\*X\*\*R  
fill up with Ginger Ale

*Pour ingredients into long drink glass  
filled with ice.*



### HANKY PANKY

1 oz Gin  
1 oz Sweet Red Vermouth  
1/2 oz The Bitter Truth - E\*\*X\*\*R

*Stir ingredients with ice and strain  
into a cocktail glass.*



# The BITTER TRUTH®

## APRICOT LIQUEUR

- Combines the juice of sun-ripened apricots with apricot schnapps.
- Captivating fruitiness and reduced sugar content.
- Indispensable in many classic and modern cocktail recipes.

### TASTING NOTES

- Sweet and fruity.
- The aroma of ripe apricots is dominant.
- A hint of almond from the apricot pit is noticeable in the background.

### HOCK MARTINI COCKTAIL

2 oz Riesling Wine  
3/4 oz Gin  
1/4 oz The Bitter Truth -  
Apricot Liqueur

*Stir ingredients with ice and  
strain into a cocktail glass.*



### CHARLIE CHAPLIN

2 oz The Bitter Truth -  
Apricot Liqueur  
1 oz Sloe Gin  
1 oz Lime Juice

*Pour ingredients into a long drink  
glass filled with ice and stir.*



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## VIOLET LIQUEUR

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- Made from wild alpine violet blossoms and finest neutral spirit.
- Captures delicate and unusual flavors.
- Perfect for classic cocktails (e.g. Aviation, Blue Moon) and modern cocktails (e.g. Violet Fizz).

### TASTING NOTES

- Slightly sweet and very flowery.
- The violet aroma is very subdued and natural.

### VIOLET FIZZ

3/4 oz Gin/Vodka  
3/4 oz The Bitter Truth -  
Violet Liqueur  
1/4 oz Lemon Juice  
fill up with Sparkling Wine

*Pour ingredients into long drink  
glass filled with ice and stir.*



### AVIATION

2 oz Gin  
1/4 oz The Bitter Truth -  
Violet Liqueur  
1/4 oz Maraschino Liqueur  
3/4 oz Lime Juice

*Shake ingredients with ice and  
strain into a cocktail glass.*



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## ELDERFLOWER LIQUEUR

- Combines characteristics of a spiced aperitif wine and a natural floral liqueur.
- Ideal for cocktails and long drinks based on wine and champagne.
- Goes well with all kinds of clear spirits (e.g. Gin, Vodka, Tequila, Pisco).

### TASTING NOTES

- Has a luminous golden color and a fresh rich bouquet.
- Offers a great variety of flavors, dominated by elderflowers.
- Complemented by notes of honey, quince and fermented grape.

### HUGO

4 oz White Wine  
3/4 oz The Bitter Truth -  
Elderflower Liqueur  
fill up with Soda Water



*Pour ingredients  
into a wine  
glass filled  
with ice  
and stir.*

### MISS LYND

2 oz Gin/Vodka  
3/4 oz The Bitter Truth -  
Elderflower Liqueur  
2 dashes The Bitter Truth -  
Creole Bitters



*Stir ingredients with ice and  
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## PIMENTO DRAM

- Based on selected pimento/allspice (Jamaica pepper) and finest Jamaican rum.
- The berry's called »allspice« because it embodies flavors of cinnamon, nutmeg, pepper and clove all at once.
- Goes well with all kinds of flavorful spirits (e.g. Whisk(e)y, Aged Rum, Tequila).

### TASTING NOTES

- Sweet, spicy and very intense.
- Clove initially presents itself in the foreground, fading into flavors of cinnamon, nutmeg and pepper which linger on the tongue.

## WAIKIKI BEACH

2 oz Dark Rum  
3/4 oz The Bitter Truth -  
Pimento Dram  
1 oz Lime Juice  
2 oz Passion Fruit Juice  
1/4 oz Almond Syrup



*Shake all ingredients with ice  
and strain into  
a tiki glass  
filled with  
crushed ice.*

## BALM COCKTAIL

2 oz Sherry, dry  
1/4 oz The Bitter Truth - Pimento Dram  
1/4 oz Orange Curaçao  
2 dashes The Bitter Truth - Orange Bitters



*Stir ingredients with ice and  
strain into a cocktail glass.*

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## GOLDEN FALERNUM

- Exotic spiced liqueur based on finest Caribbean rum.
- Flavored with limes, almonds, cloves and ginger.
- Gained importance during the tiki era in the middle of the 20th century.
- Can be sipped neat and goes well with aged spirits (e.g. Whisk(e)y, Rum and Brandy).

### TASTING NOTES

- Rich and complex in flavor.
- Spicy ginger, followed by almond and vanilla.
- An allspice tingle on the tongue develops into a long finish with a zest of lime.

### MOJITO

1 oz Rum  
1 oz The Bitter Truth -  
Golden Falernum  
3/4 oz Lime Juice  
7-8 Mint Leaves  
fill up with Soda Water



*Muddle mint  
with rum in  
a long drink  
glass, add all  
other ingredients  
and ice and stir.*

### DARK & SPICY

2 oz Dark Rum  
3/4 oz The Bitter Truth -  
Golden Falernum  
1/4 oz Lime Juice  
fill up with Ginger Ale



*Pour ingredients  
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## PINK GIN

- A delicious blend of traditionally crafted gin and aromatic bitters.
- Invented by sailors of the Royal Navy to cure sea sickness.
- Designed to offer a soft and gentle mouthfeel and fine complex flavors.
- It's best used on its own, as a Gin & Tonic or in your favorite Martini Cocktail.

### TASTING NOTES

- Dominated by complex fruity and floral aromas.
- Very smooth with distinctive flavors of juniper berries in the foreground.
- Surrounded by spicy flavors of licorice, caraway and fennel.

## PINK GIN & TONIC

2 oz The Bitter Truth - Pink Gin  
fill up with Tonic Water

*Pour ingredients into long drink  
glass filled with ice.*



## PINK MARTINI

2 oz The Bitter Truth - Pink Gin  
1/4 oz Dry Vermouth

*Stir ingredients with ice and  
strain into a cocktail glass.*



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## ORANGE FLOWER WATER

- Essential, non-alcoholic water made out of bitter orange blossoms.
- Traditional ingredient for drinks and food in North Africa, Middle East and Mediterranean area.

### TASTING NOTES

- Very flowery and subtle.
- Natural, unobtrusive flavor of bitter orange blossoms.
- Slightly bitter.

## RAMOS GIN FIZZ

2 oz Gin  
1 bar spoon The Bitter Truth -  
Orange Flower Water  
1 oz Lemon Juice  
3/4 oz Sugar Syrup  
3/4 oz Cream  
1 Egg White  
3/4 oz Soda Water



Shake all ingredients except soda water vigorously with ice and strain into a long drink glass. Top up with soda water.

## LONDON COCKTAIL #2

2 oz Rye Whiskey  
1/2 oz Almond Syrup  
1/4 oz The Bitter Truth -  
Orange Flower Water  
1 Egg

Shake all ingredients with ice and strain into a cocktail glass. Grate nutmeg on top.



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## ROSE WATER

- Essential, non-alcoholic water made out of rose petals.
- Traditional ingredient for drinks and food in the Arab world, India and Asia.
- Adds a nifty flowery note to cocktails and long drinks.

### TASTING NOTES

- Very flowery and intense.
- Natural, distinctive flavor of rose petals.

## ROSEWATER RICKEY

2 oz **Gin**  
 2 dashes **The Bitter Truth - Aromatic Bitters**  
 1 barspoon **The Bitter Truth - Rose Water**  
 1/2 oz **Lime Juice**  
 1/4 oz **Sugar Syrup**  
 5 **Branded Cherries** (e.g. Griottines)  
 fill up with **Soda Water**

*Shake all ingredients except soda water with ice and strain into a long drink glass filled with ice. Top up with soda water.*



## MINT JULEP

2 oz **Cognac**  
 3/4 oz **The Bitter Truth - Apricot Liqueur**  
 1 barspoon **The Bitter Truth - Rose Water**  
 8-10 **Mint Leaves**

*Muddle mint and cognac in a silver cup or tumbler, add all other ingredients and crushed ice and stir.*



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## ROOTS

Bittersweet, brown and intensively aromatic, The Bitter Truth's ROOTS Drops & Dashes show bold notes of burnt liquorice in combination with smoked & sweet spices and bitter gentian root. Light floral notes of iris roots give support and supply the balancing high notes to round it off.



### ROOTY LIBRE

2 oz White Rum  
4 dashes Drops & Dashes - Roots  
Fill up with Lemonade

Pour ingredients into long drink glass filled with ice and stir.



### ROOTY GIMLET

2 oz Vodka  
4 dashes Drops & Dashes - Roots  
1/2 oz Lime Juice  
1/4 oz Sugar Syrup

Shake ingredients with ice and strain into a cocktail glass.



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### WOOD

With its red, mahogany amber color, The Bitter Truth's WOOD Drops & Dashes delivers bone dry aromas of oak wood, Peruvian bark, light spice and fragrant notes of sandalwood. The wood notes are distinctive soft, warm, smooth & creamy, while the aftertaste is full of sweet smoke with a root beer finish.

#### WOODY COLLINS

2 oz Gin  
4 dashes Drops & Dashes - Wood  
3/4 oz Lemon Juice  
1/2 oz Sugar Syrup  
Soda Water

Pour ingredients into long drink glass filled with ice and stir.



#### WOODY OLD FASHIONED

2 oz Añejo Tequila  
4 dashes Drops & Dashes - Wood  
1/2 oz Sugar Syrup

Pour ingredients into a tumbler filled with ice and stir.



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### BLOSSOM

Pale red amberlike in color, The Bitter Truth's BLOSSOM Drops & Dashes showcase a variety of summer blossoms from around the globe ranging from aromatic jasmine, sweet hibiscus, earthy iris and charismatic lavender. Full of fragile fragrances the flower basket is harmonic and delicate with new discoveries in every new sip.

#### BLOOMY GIN & TONIC

2 oz Gin  
4 dashes Drops & Dashes - Blossom  
Fill up with Tonic Water

Build in long drink glass with ice  
and stir.



#### BLOOMY MARGARITA

2 oz Blanco Tequila  
4 dashes Drops & Dashes - Blossom  
3/4 oz Lime Juice  
1/2 oz Agave Syrup

Shake ingredients with ice and  
strain into a cocktail glass.



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### NUT

Dark brown amber in appearance, the flavor of The Bitter Truth's NUT Drops & Dashes is driven by delicate notes of young black walnuts with hints of Muscovado sugar, prunes & raisins in combination with high notes of roasted hazelnuts. Accompanied by aromatics of bitter chocolate and light espresso, the finish delivers gentle notes of cashew nuts and almonds.



#### NUTTY HIGHBALL

2 oz Aged Rum  
4 dashes Drops & Dashes - Nut  
Fill up with Ginger Ale

Pour ingredients into long drink glass filled with ice and stir.



#### NUTTY MANHATTAN

2 oz Whisk(e)y  
4 dashes Drops & Dashes - Nut  
3/4 oz Sweet Red Vermouth

Stir ingredients with ice and strain into a cocktail glass.



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