

Main Types of Liquor You Should Know About

Although some might say that they have never had liquor in their lives, they would probably be wrong. Simply speaking, this is a matter of vocabulary — people confuse *liquor* with *liqueur* (indeed, some of them may have never drunk the letter).

To clear up the confusion, the *liqueur* is a distilled alcoholic drink that contains sugar, fruits, herbs, and spices and has a sweet taste. The *liquor* is called spirits, and it is distilled alcohol that can be made from a wide variety of products, be it grains, vegetables, or fruits.

An average adult person is likely to have tasted liquor at least once during their lifetime in one of its six manifestations. Here are the main types of liquor that you need to know about.

Tequila



Tequila is the drink of national pride in Mexico. It's made from blue agave, a succulent plant native to the country. Moreover, the real tequila can exclusively come from Mexico. Its government stated that the drink could only be produced in four states globally — Tamaulipas, Michoacán, Nayarit, and Guanajuato.

Vodka

Another liquor of national pride is vodka. And this time, it's Russia's national pride. But other countries such as Finland, Poland, and Sweden can **claim** the liquor their most distinctive alcohol.

Made from cereals and sometimes potatoes, vodka undergoes a meticulous fermentation and distillation process to drink 40% - 90% alcohol content.

Gin



Gin is a distilled alcoholic drink made of wheat or barley that must contain a distinctive taste of juniper berries. It's a perfect base for creating unique cocktails such as Gin and Tonic, Gin Martini, Classic Gin Fizz, Pink Lady, and many others.

Brandy

Brandy is another type of liquor you should know about. It's spirits made of wine or different fermented fruits such as apples, apricots, cherries, grapes, or plums. To achieve its distinctive smoked taste, the drink is kept in wooden barrels. What is more, brandy has its subtypes: cognac, calvados, and Armagnac.

Whiskey



Manhattan, Classic Bourbon Sour, Whiskey Sour, and many others of your favorite cocktails are made with this type of liquor — whiskey. Made from fermented grains such as wheat, barley, corn, and rye, this 40% - 60% alcoholic beverage is usually aged in wooden casks to give it a rich taste.

Rum

Last but not least, the liquor that you should know about is rum. The favorite drink strong of alcohol connoisseurs and pirates comes in three types — white rum, dark rum, and spiced rum. They differ in time. They aged in barrels.

The unforgettable sweet taste of this liquor makes rum perfect alcohol for many popular cocktails such as Pina Colada, Daiquiri, Mohito, and many others.

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