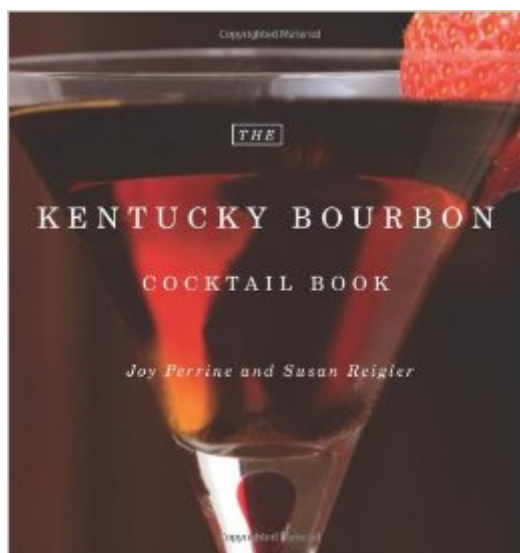


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# The Kentucky Bourbon Cocktail Book



## Synopsis

Interest in bourbon, America's native spirit and a beverage almost exclusively distilled in Kentucky, has never been greater. Thanks in part to the general popularity of cocktails and the marketing efforts of the bourbon industry, there are more brands of bourbon and more bourbon drinkers than ever before. In *The Kentucky Bourbon Cocktail Book*, Joy Perrine and Susan Reigler provide a reader-friendly handbook featuring more than 100 recipes including seasonal drinks, after-dinner bourbon cocktails, Derby cocktails, and even medicinal toddies. The book's introduction explains how the use of specific spirits and ingredients, glassware, and special techniques, such as muddling and infusions, accentuates the unique flavor of bourbon. Much of the book is devoted to recipes and instructions for the professional or at-home bartender, from classic drinks such as the Manhattan and the Mint Julep to drinks for special occasions, including the Candy Cane, Pumpkin Eggnog, and Kentucky Bourbon Sparkler. The authors complete the work with suggested appetizer pairings, a glossary of terms, and a bibliography of bourbon-related books.

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Although published in 2009, this book is a bit outdated since a new breed (and new/different barrels) of whiskeys is emerging. Look at the *Whiskey Bible* - a book by Jim Murray updated yearly.

Moreover, why would anyone want to mix true bourbon like Pappy Van Winkle? For example, the book has a recipe for "Preston Van Winkle's Old Fashioned" that requires mixing Van Winkle Bourbon with an orange slice and two brown sugar cubes soaked in bitters. I don't know about you,

but if I have a bottle of Van Winkle, I'm not going to contaminate it with anything except a little mineral water to open-up the flavor. Still, old recipes call for this so it may work for you! If you are going to mix bourbon with something else, this is the book for you. The book urges you to think differently which is a huge plus for a whiskey collector who may want to try something new. I like that the book gives kudos and offers thanks to the various recipe contributors. I like the recipe for "Woodford and Ginger" that calls for Woodford Reserve bourbon, simple syrup, lime juice, ground ginger and club soda. It's very tasty. I rate this five stars for historical content, recipe variation and creativity. I also rate this five stars for price (around \$12 at the time of posting); although, the Kindle Edition is almost as much as the hardcover book (\$11). Come on, get real. Digital content for the price of a hardcover? I'm tempted to deduct a star for this, but am not since this is a one-of-a-kind book. I did purchase the Kindle edition despite the price and the pictures look great while the text runs over from page to page - almost like the formatting is askew (iPad, Touchpad and Android tablets). That is, the text starts in the middle of the first page and is continued on the next page with a lot of white space wasted at the top of the first page. If the white space were not at the top of the first page, the entire recipe would exist on just one page causing less manual page turns. My friend has the hard copy version and the print is perfect - the entire recipe residing on one page. Suggested recipe improvement: Rye is also coming back to the forefront and while this book is about bourbon, it would be nice to see more recipes that includes rye, as well. Nevertheless, if you are looking for a gift for yourself or for someone who loves bourbon, this is a great purchase. I would recommend the hard copy version as the Kindle version needs some work across all hardware platforms tested (see above). I'm disappointed in the digital version and wish the publisher offered a refund so I could get this in hardcover without paying twice for the same content. \*\*\*Update - 11/20/2011 \*\*\* After reading this book on the new Kindle Fire, the formatting is no better. Had high hopes, but to no avail. Still disjointed and sloppy in a digital format.

Wonderful, easy-to-follow and inventive recipes for bourbon. I love the infusion ideas and can't wait to try more! If you do the spice infusion, don't skip the coffee filter straining step. It takes a LONG time, but it's necessary to remove all the spice particles. Love this book!

This book looks great, but it lacks many recipes. You can find more recipes online than this contains. Distillery websites such as Buffalo Trace or others will steer you better.

A compilation beyond the ordinary. A great selection of recipes beyond the ordinary. Something new

something old. Well worth the cost.

Interesting drinks. This has drinks that I had not imagined with bourbon. I recommend this to bourbon drinkers. You will like it.

Present for son in law. Small book, was expecting a bigger book for the price and a bit more to it. Should have paid closer attention to product info. It is still a nice book but I feel overpriced.

Given as a gift. Great book for the Kentucky Bourbon fan. Nice job, Ms. Perrine.

Awesome book from a fountain of knowledge!!!

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