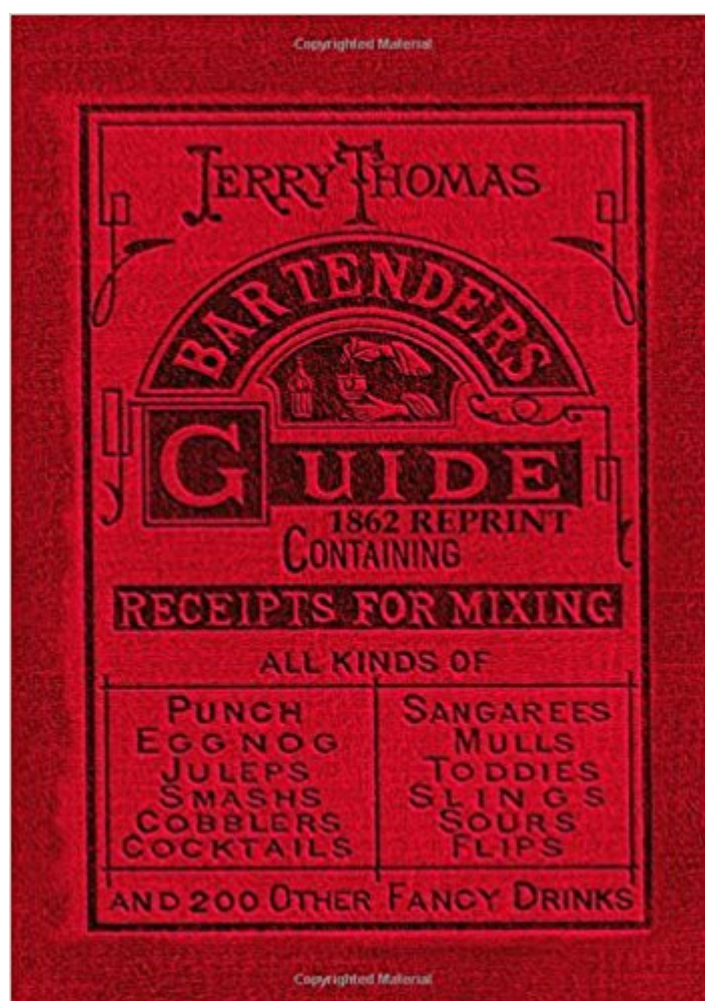


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# Jerry Thomas Bartenders Guide 1862 Reprint: How To Mix Drinks, Or The Bon Vivant's Companion



## Synopsis

The 1862 Bartenders Guide is the FIRST cocktail book, in its FIRST version, now in an affordable reprint as it first appeared, in Hardback. It was first known as "How to Mix Drinks, or the Bon Vivant's Companion" and published in 1862 with "A Manual for the Manufacture of Cordials, Liquors, Fancy Syrups, etc, etc" by Christian Schultz appended at the back, since any good bartender was supposed to know how to both mix and make. It includes drinks that we still know today like the Mint Julep and lesser known drinks like Absinthe Water, Flip, and Fix. One can use it to impress your friends making the Balaklava Nectar, Locomotive, and Blue Blazer. Originals of the 1862 Jerry Thomas Bartender's Guide have been costing \$2,000 in 2016, so enjoy this inexpensive reprint and spend your savings in studious enjoyment!

## Book Information

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## Customer Reviews

"The Bartender Who Started It All" (NY Times, October 2007)

Jeremiah (Jerry) P. Thomas (1830-1885) considered "the father of American mixology," wrote the first Cocktail book and was the most famous bartender of his time. He had saloons in California and New York (below Barnum's American Museum). He developed showy techniques, such as the Blue Blazer, and promoted himself heavily in images and product. The New York Times state Thomas was "very popular among all classes." --This text refers to an out of print or unavailable edition of this title.

I was excited to get this book and see some of the old mixed drinks and cocktails. I was expecting the book to be smaller so it was a little larger than I had hoped. Some of the pages are a bit hard to read because of the way the pages were copied but these are mostly reference pages. For the price it wasn't a bad deal but I had hoped for a little better.

Perfect gift. If it only had brownish pages... it looks like an old book

Girlfriend who is a bartender likes it. Nice look at the older cocktails, which she can reintroduce to current customers. She also likes the recipes in the back for cordials, however you have to adjust from gallons to ounces unless you are having a really big party! Interesting sidelight in that bars in those days had to make their own stuff, it wasn't delivered to the door.

Pleased with purchase.

It's a classic. The recipes are all dated but look at how much inspiration that guy has brought back to the scene. Read it.

The contents of the book are fascinating. I can't wait to try some the the recipes as guidelines and modify to my taste. My only complaint is that the pages (and cover) look like a very poor Xerox copy. Other than that, this book is a must have for any bar owner/tender in search of the history that's makes their profession what it is today!

My husband has a bookshelf full of various types of cocktail books. This surprise gift for his birthday fits into that collection in its own way... The history and print types makes this little volume an interesting read.

This was a Christmas gift for my son. I have to say it was a hit and he spent a good amount of time perusing it. I have rated it based on his comments...

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