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FRONT BURNER

Another Buzzy, Boozy Beverage



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Move over, espresso martini. There's competition for the suddenly trendy cocktail from another classic infused with joe. Chicago's Dark Matter Coffee, sourced from Guatemala, is combined with Traverse City Whiskey, a Michigan bourbon, and bitters for a new take on the old fashioned. It was created by Charles Joly, a founder of Craffhouse Cocktails in Chicago, which makes ready-to-drink cocktails. The result is an earthier cocktail that delivers mellow fruitiness at a pleasant 25.6 percent alcohol. A twist of orange is a suitable garnish for the drink on the rocks. Warm a shot or two for your next affogato, or perhaps even flame it.

Craffhouse Cocktails Dark Matter Coffee Old Fashioned, \$39.99 for 750 milliliters, reservebar.com, craffhousecocktails.com.