

Climate Cocktails

When the overwhelming doom of the greatest human-caused catastrophe in history threatens to overtake you...connect with your colleagues who are working to make it better. (And have a drink. Or two.)

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Dark and Storm-Preparedness

For those who have their emergency go-bags ready, a brighter twist on the dark and stormy.

Ingredients

- ½ of an orange
- ½ of a lime
- 5 mint leaves
- 1 tsp sugar
- 2 oz dark rum
- Ginger beer

1. Muddle together the orange, lime, mint leaves, and sugar.
2. Add the rum. Shake.
3. Strain into a glass.
4. Top with ginger beer.
5. Garnish with a lime wheel and a mint sprig.

Recipe from <https://advancedmixology.com/blogs/art-of-mixology/dark-and-stormy-cocktail-recipe#Citrus>

Tequila Sunrise Movement

Honor the fiery energy of the Sunrise Movement with this spicy variation of the tequila sunrise.

Ingredients

- 2 oz. tequila
- 4 oz. orange juice
- 1 oz. grenadine
- Jalapeño Slices
- Orange Slice (for garnish)
- Ice cubes

1. In a shaker filled with ice, pour the tequila and orange juice. Add about 2 - 3 slices of jalapeños. Shake vigorously for about 10 seconds.
2. Fill a Collins glass with fresh ice. Strain and pour the mixture into the glass.
3. Drizzle the grenadine and let it settle at the bottom.
4. Garnish with an orange slice and 2 jalapeño slices.

Recipe from <https://advancedmixology.com/blogs/art-of-mixology/rise-up-like-tequila-sunrise-with-its-19-cocktail-recipes-to-try#Spicy>

Summer in Moscow Mule

By 2050, Moscow's climate is expected to be more like Detroit. Get ready for warmer summers in Moscow with this refreshing take on the classic.

Ingredients

- ½ lime (juiced)
- 5 strawberries
- 2 ounces vodka
- 4-6 ounces ginger beer
- Fresh thyme sprigs (optional)

1. Muddle strawberries and lime juice together in a copper mug.
2. Add vodka and ice to fill.
3. Top off with ginger beer.

Recipe from <https://www.platingsandpairings.com/strawberry-lime-moscow-mule/>

Getting Warmer

Not even global warming can warm you up from the inside out like this fall cocktail.

Ingredients

- Honey whiskey (like Jack Daniels Honey)
- Fresh pressed apple cider
- Cinnamon stick (or two)
- Apple slice

Recipe from many Thanksgivings with my family.

1. Warm up some fresh apple cider, either in a crock pot or on the stove (the microwave works too, if you're only heating up enough for one).
2. Add Jack Daniels Honey to your liking.
3. Garnish with a cinnamon stick and an apple slice.

Running Out of Thyme Collins

When you realize that climate change is happening faster than we thought, and just need a refreshing drink to lift the spirits.

Ingredients

- 1 oz limoncello
- 1 oz gin
- Soda water
- Ice
- Sprig of fresh thyme
- Lemon slide

1. Pour limoncello and gin into a glass.
2. Fill with ice.
3. Top with soda, and garnish with a sprig of thyme and lemon slice.

Recipe from <https://www.olivemagazine.com/drink/limoncello-and-thyme-collins/>. This recipe calls for you to make your own limoncello...but we don't have time for that.

Bonus Recipe: The Climate Denier

I thought "The Climate Denier" might be a good name for a cocktail, and it turns out, I'm not the first one think of that: <https://www.trumpedupdrinks.com/the-climate-denier/>