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SPOLETO FESTIVAL USA

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PRESS RELEASE

Third season of Spoleto Sips Signature Cocktail Campaign Keeps Festivalgoers Well-Hydrated in 2019

More than 20 downtown menus offer Spoleto-inspired beverages from May 24 to June 9

May 21, 2019 (Charleston, South Carolina) – In celebration of Spoleto Festival USA’s 2019 season, 23 Charleston restaurants have created Spoleto-inspired cocktails that will appear on menus this week through the Festival’s run, ending June 9. The restaurants were chosen for their proximity to popular Festival venues, and many of the featured beverages are inspired by specific performances at the nearby theaters. Examples include Le Farfalle’s “Cigarette Girl,” inspired by Carla Bley’s concert at the College of Charleston Cistern Yard; Tradd’s “Viola,” inspired by the Shakespeare’s Globe performances of *Twelfth Night* at Dock Street Theatre; Wild Common’s “Pay No Attention to the Colour,” inspired by Target Margin Theater’s *Pay No Attention to the Girl* at Woolfe Street Playhouse; and Josephine Wine Bar’s “Salome’s Seven Veils,” inspired by Spoleto Festival USA’s all-new production of *Salome* at the Charleston Gaillard Center. Other creations, such as “Menotti’s Composed Pie” from O-Ku, Vintage Lounge’s “Coppa di Spoleto,” and Doar Bros.’ “Due Mondi,” reference Spoleto and its history as a whole. A full list of participating locations and cocktails follows; photos of all sips can be found [here](#).

2019 Spoleto Sips Participating Restaurants

Basic Kitchen

“Garden of Good”

Inspired by 1927’s world premiere production, *Roots*, at the Emmett Robinson Theatre

Ingredients: parsley verdita (pineapple, apple, parsley, cilantro, jalapeno), and lemon, mixed with Seedlip, a non-alcoholic spirit, or tequila

Cocktail Club

“End SCENE”

Ingredients: Hendrick’s Gin, Del Professore Classico Bianco, fresh-pressed grape, lemon, simple syrup, soda water

Doar Bros.

“Due Mondi”

Inspired by Spoleto Festival USA’s roots in Italy and a celebration of dual world flavors

Ingredients: Hat Trick Botanical Gin, Amaro al Tartufo, Carolina peaches, prosecco

Felix

“King Herod”

Inspired by the opera *Salome* at the Charleston Gaillard Center

Ingredients: bourbon, Lapsang Souchong demerara syrup, Bénédictine, black walnut bitters, orange twist garnish

HōM

“The Pink Slipper”

Ingredients: sparkling wine, Aperol, orangecello, soda, orange peel

Husk

“Between 1st and A”

Inspired by the bluegrass concerts of I’m With Her and Punch Brother at the College of Charleston Cistern Yard

Ingredients: Sacred Bond Brandy, Applejack Brandy, crème de cassis, mint demerara syrup, lemon juice, mint, soda water, blackberry garnish

Joséphine Wine Bar

“Salome’s Seven Veils”

Inspired by the opera *Salome* at the Charleston Gaillard Center

Ingredients: Kirschwasser, St.Germain, Dolin Blanc, grapefruit juice, Bittercube Jamaican No. 2 Bitters, house-made hibiscus syrup

Note: Joséphine Wine Bar is also offering Festivalgoers a special three-course Spoleto prix fixe tasting menu, with optional wine pairings. See the [menu here](#).

Le Farfalle

“Cigarette Girl”

Inspired by Carla Bley – Trios at the College of Charleston Cistern Yard

Ingredients: Henry McKenna Single Barrel bourbon, Cocchi Vermouth di Torino, Averna, orange bitters, Angostura bitters, smoked ice

McCrary's Tavern

“The Brown Derby”

Inspired by Classical Showcase at the Dock Street Theatre

Ingredients: Old Grand-Dad bourbon, grapefruit, lemon, honey

Millers All Day

“The Spoleto Collins”

Ingredients: Sutler's Gin, Pedro Ximénez Sherry, lemon juice, strawberry-basil syrup, soda

Minero

“Los Santos Sangria”

Inspired by *Path of Miracles* at the Charleston Gaillard Center

Ingredients: rosé, passion fruit liqueur, peach, lemon

O-Ku

“Menotti's Composed Pie”

Ingredients: shochu, blueberry, vanilla, pineapple shrub, lemon-herb meringue whip

Parcel 32

“Ekphrasis”

Ingredients: strawberries; mint; rum; lime juice; lavender simple syrup; soda; mint, strawberry, and lemon garnish

Poogan's Porch

“Poogan's Prosperity”

Inspired by the history of the Festival and the shared love of arts between Charleston and Spoleto, Italy

Ingredients: gin, prosecco, elderflower, crème de violet, pomegranate juice, edible flower garnish

Prohibition

“The Fever”

Inspired by 600 HIGHWAYMEN's *The Fever* at Woolfe Street Playhouse

Ingredients: gin, green apple syrup, lime juice, cardamom bitters

The Darling

“Spoleto Swizzle”

Ingredients: Velvet falernum, white rum, orange juice, pineapple

The Macintosh

“Prince of Tyre”

Inspired by Shakespeare’s Globe’s performances of *Pericles* at the Dock Street Theatre

Ingredients: Beefeater Gin, Dolin Génepy le Chamois, Yellow Chartreuse, Bittermans Orange Cream Citrate

The Watch Rooftop Kitchen & Spirits

“Curtain Call”

Ingredients: Citadelle Gin, Giffard Crème de Pamplemousse rose, St. Germain, grapefruit juice, lime juice, mint, cucumber, lavender

Tradd’s

“Viola”

Inspired by Shakespeare’s Globe’s performances of *Twelfth Night* at the Dock Street Theatre

Ingredients: gin, crème de violette, maraschino liqueur, lemon juice, Champagne, edible flower garnish

Victor Social Club

“Victor Virelles”

Inspired by David Virelles’s concerts at the Simons Center Recital Hall

Ingredients: jalapeño-infused tequila, St. Germain, strawberry

Vintage Lounge

“Coppa di Spoleto”

Ingredients: Pimm’s no. 1, Lillet Rose, gin, lemon juice, simple syrup, rhubarb bitters, Angostura bitters, soda, lemon garnish

Wild Common

“Pay No Attention to the Colour”

Inspired by Target Margin Theater’s *Pay No Attention to the Girl* at Woolfe Street Playhouse

Ingredients: pink peppercorn-infused tequila, Cocchi Rosa, rhubarb liqueur, grapefruit cordial, lime juice, club soda, jasmine flower garnish

Zero Restaurant + Bar

“The Cocktail of Errors”

Inspired by Shakespeare’s Globe’s performances of *The Comedy of Errors* at the Dock Street Theatre

Ingredients: Plymouth gin, fresh-squeezed orange juice, Giffard lychee liqueur, Suze, egg white

Spoletto Festival USA

Founded in 1977, Spoleto Festival USA is an annual 17-day performing arts festival in Charleston, SC, that presents leading artists in classical and popular music, opera, jazz, dance, and theater. The 2019 season takes place May 24 to June 9 in various locations on the downtown peninsula, including the historic Dock Street Theatre and the Charleston Gaillard Center. Spoleto Festival USA is a 501 (c)(3) charitable organization.

Venues

Dock Street Theatre | 135 Church St.

Charleston Gaillard Center | 95 Calhoun St.

Memminger Auditorium | 56 Beaufain St.

Woolfe Street Playhouse | 34 Woolfe St.

Emmett Robinson Theatre at College of Charleston | 54 St. Philip St.

Simons Center Recital Hall at College of Charleston | 54 St. Philip St.

College of Charleston Cistern Yard | 66 George St.

St. Matthew's Lutheran Church | 405 King St.

Riverfront Park | 1061 Everglades Ave., North Charleston

Charleston Library Society | 164 King St.

City Hall | 80 Broad St.

Tickets

Tickets are on sale to the general public beginning January 16 at 10:00am online at spoletousa.org and by phone at 843.579.3100. In-person box office operations are located Charleston Gaillard Center, open Monday through Sunday, 9:00am to 5:00pm.

Go Spoleto! hotel-and-ticket packages are available in partnership with eight Charleston hotels:

Ansonborough Inn, The Beach Club at Charleston Harbor Resort & Marina, Belmond Charleston Place, The Dewberry, Francis Marion Hotel, Hyatt House Charleston-Historic District, Hyatt Place Charleston-Historic District, and The Vendue. Guests can book a room with one of the Festival hotel partners and receive a code to purchase a range of specially priced performance tickets. For more information, visit spoletousa.org/gospoleto.

Festival gift certificates can be purchased in any amount and used towards performance tickets, merchandise such as Festival posters, or charitable contributions to Spoleto Festival USA. To purchase gift certificates, order online at spoletousa.org or by phone at 843.579.3100.

Images

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