

Contails, and the Court of langues



# WELCOME

So our menus usually come with a theme, and, when we were sitting down to begin this one, Alfie cast his vote simply as an eruptive sigh of apathy... and the concept was born.

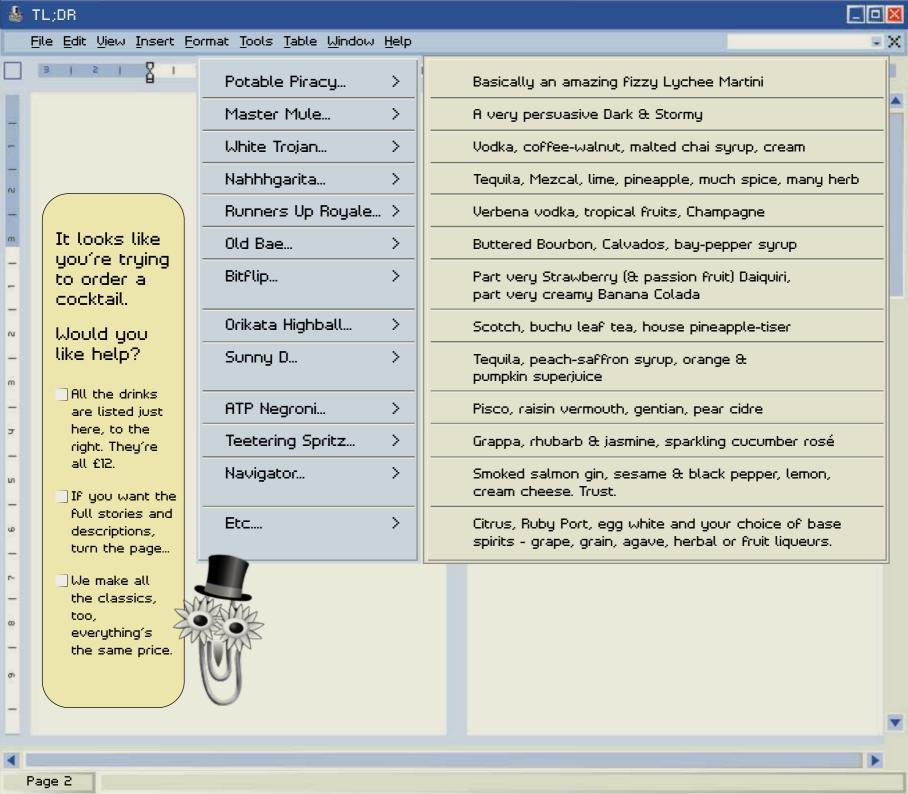
Laziness is fascinating - it is not just the wilful absence of productivity, but a profoundly human trait, and one that frequently yields improvement and innovation.

So each of these cocktails is inspired by feats of laziness, from the ubiquitous and inconsequential, up to the cosmic, and down to our very cell structure.

As always, if you just fancy an old favourite or classic, or if nothing particularly grabs you and you'd like to chat through drinks, just let us know - always happy to play that game. And, as is tradition, all spirits and mixed drinks are the same price -



Finally - allergies. There is A LOT going into these drinks, so we gotta be careful. We've listed the majors, but if you've any allergies or intolerances, please inform us.

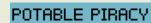


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2 parts sparkling Lillet

# A SPARKLING LYCHEE MARTINI FROM OUT WEST

3 parts 58 & Co Apple & Hibiscus gin 2 parts Gabriel Boudier lychee I part guzu verjus

Now, if you're gonna dedicate a menu to epic acts of laziness, you just have to start it off with a steal, so let's talk about theft.

Simply put, almost all forms of it exist because the 'legitimate' means of obtaining whichever object, concept or outcome is too much work compared to an available, if dubious, shortcut. Theft is as old, and as human, as homanity.

Interesting stuff.

#### Anyway.

We present to you The Lychee Martini. It's totally our creation and not the house special down at our sister bar in Bristol, Filthy XIII. Nothing like that.



## MASTER MULE

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# A VERY PERSUASIVE TWIST ON A DARK & STORMY

3 parts Black Tears Spiced Rum 1 part Nixta corn liqueur 1 gloop mace honey shrub 4 parts London Pride

London is bartender heaven - a city of wonders, with excellent ingredients. But therein lies the challenge - after all this hard work, surely it's not wrong or lazy to employ a little nuance in how our drinks are worded? Right?

Surely making a great drink and having no one order it would be desperately wasteful, so really, we've a moral imperative towards certain logos, ethos and pathos in how we present our wonders. The Master himself

See, that ain't a complex

would be proud. blend of acids, oils and

emulsifiers - that's 'sherbet', amigo. Vinegar? Gross. That right there is a 'shrub'. Honestly, there are two things without which the cocktail scene would surely perish compound nouns, and blue-roll.







# WHITE TROJAN

RICH, CREAMY, WARMING

2 parts Aval Dor Seaberry Vodka

1 part Jagermeister Cold Brew Coffee

1 part Mandi's "Chai-hard" Syrup

I glug malted walnut-maple cream

Ah, the webcam - you'd think that a device that came to be an essential part of all smartphone, tablet and laptop design, and now plays a part in probably most business meetings.... You'd think that had some impressive origins.

And it does - the first webcam, the Trojan, was created by a bunch of Cambridge uni students so they could see when the coffee pot was boiling without having to get up

and check.

Legends, we

commemorate this White Russian twist

to you thus:





HERBACEOUS, SPICY, BRACING

2 parts Cazcabel Tequila

1 part Bruxo Mezcal

1 part lime

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1 part house Verdita\*

\*For the uninitiated, this is a banging blend of mint, pineapple, bell pepper, ginger, chilli etc...

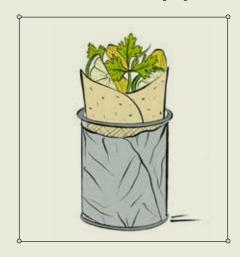
It started with the humble takeaway - a family affair, a reasonably-priced glimmer of culture in Britain's otherwise murky culinary past. Fast-forward to today, and you can order delivery cocktails, yeesh. Who'd do such a thing?

Well I Deliveroo'd Marmite the other day because it was cold and I couldn't find clean socks. How am I ever going

to afford a 6-bed in Chelsea when I spend all my time and money on smashing avocados

and cocktails?

What a headache. Better JustEat some paracetamol.

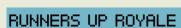












SPARKLING, FRUITY, UPLIFTING

2 parts Verbena Belvedere
1 part passion fruit sherbet
1 dash Melonade

Solid glug Moët & Chandon

Great news everyone - we've been included in another list - "top 463 bars in Aldgate - you won't BELIEVE number 9", something like that.

If you're reading this, your opinion matters greatly to us, and nothing sets us aglow more than reading 5\* google reviews. \*awkward pause\*

But few things embody laziness like bad award schemes - those created purely for content, sycophancy or mutual tugiobs, handing out sustainability awards sponsored by Nestlé brands, and don't you get us started on performative eq...

Wait, there's free

Champagne? Count us

the Ruck in baby.



# OLD BAE

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MELLOW, BOOZY, LUSCIOUS

3 parts buttered Evan Williams Bourbon 2 parts Pere Magloire Calvados 1 part peppercorn vermouth 1 dash Old Bay bitters

Consider the sloth - poster-child of a deadly sin, and yet their economy of movement is actually a clever match between metabolism and availability of food in their surrounding environment.

See, if we mistake efficiency for languor, Mother Nature herself starts to look like a video game dev reusing character models as different species adopt similar traits, coming to resemble each other.

This is called
Convergent Evolution,
and it's pretty
fascinating given
separate species
can't crossbreed in
a Darwinian model...
and then there's
Carcinisation. So yeah,

this has been a long, geeky description, but just trust us - we'll be crabs one day.

That's it.









A SLUSHIE MIAMI VICE, BUT IT'S BEEN SLEEPING REALLY WELL RECENTLY

TOP LAYER - A Strawberry 'Daiquiri', but with added deliciousness in the form of Hennessy Cognac and passion fruit.

BOTTOM LAYER - It's a Pina Colada, but with Eminente Claro, Kyro Dairy Cream Liqueur and Tom's epic banana syrup.

Fact: the universe is a lazy place where all things happen according to the path of least resistance. Existence does NOT hustle. Micro-distortions in air current can change the manner in which photons interact with circuitry, resulting in a 0 becoming a 1, a phenomenon known as a 'bitflip', and it's chaos.

So the flapping of a butterfly's wings can, and arguably has, crashed an airplane. A bitflip resulted in a speedrunner in Mario 64 achieving a world record by glitching through the ceiling. In the game.

So don't feel bad about

Sunday mornings. The universe is more lazy than any one of us, and sometimes that's in our favour.



## ORIKATA HIGHBALL

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BRIGHT, COMPLEX, EFFERVESCENT

3 parts Nc'Nean Single Malt Scotch Whisky 1 part Buchu leaf Curacao 2 parts 'Pineapple-tiser'

OK zero effort on this one chaps - let's take that weird glass we put the Dali drink in last time, and just straight-up use it again. Then we do a whisky-mixer thing and make it sound fancy, y'know, with words.

See, beauty is in the eye of the beholder and all that, like how an origami crane is really just a piece of paper, but made awesome. Actually, that's the garnish sorted. Not folding it ourselves, though. That'd be work.\*



\*This conversation did not happen, we actually put a lot of work into our drinks, it's just an easy joke. It's like 65% true, tops.







#### LIGHT, FAMILIAR, PLAYFUL

2 parts Volcan Tequila 1 part Ringuinguin Peche 1 part saffron 0J 1 dash Monin Pumpkin Spice Syrup

Time to get a tan. 8pm flight from Gatwick, sorted. Gatwick Express at 6, so leave work by 5:30 latest.

Land at 10, hotel by 11, poolside bar 5 mins later, hope they have them drinks with the little umbrellas. Let's call it a chill one first night, yeah? Saturday, I've booked the sauna. Couple massages, back to the pool bar, bit of time under the sun,

getting bronzed.



Evening, sorted Dim Sum. Bar at the hotel's great anyway, so just head back there after. Sunday, big lie in, bit more time working on that tan, lunch on the rooftop. Flight gets us back by 7, should be tucked up asleep by 10, no dramas, ready for the office again on Monday.

Actually nah you're right, that's too much work, let's just get some fake tan and glaze ourselves like a box of donuts, ya legends.

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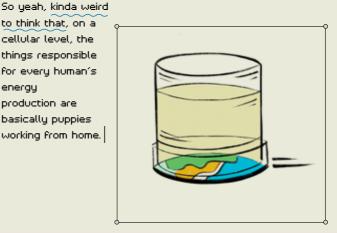
#### BITTER, ZESTY, EVOCATIVE

3 parts Barsol Quebranta Pisco I part pear & raisin eau de vie 1 part Gentiane de Lure 2 parts Sassy Cidre

Dogs have it easy, right? Their days of struggling largely gone, most of their troubles coming down to the enduring of endless '-boi' suffixes. Think we can agree that domestication is a pretty sweet ride, but dogs were far from the first.

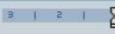
Our very own mitochondria, the powerhouses of our cells, likely originated as external organisms, but found that living conditions were just fine in partnership with us, so long as they didn't chew up the furniture and generally kept us happy.

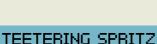
to think that, on a cellular level, the things responsible for every human's energy production are basically puppies working from home.











### AROMATIC, BUBBLY, OH-SO-CULTURED

2 parts Nardini Grappa

1 part Nardini Rabarbaro (think rhubarb meets Aperol)

I part cucumber-jasmine sherbet

1 part sparkling rosé

You've gotta be, like, smart to build stuff, right? Qualified and that. Well, sure. But architects are still human, and, arguably, the reason engineering exists to begin with is human laziness. And there are a LOT of examples of lazy building out there, possibly the most famous of which is one particular tower in Pisa:

"Hey, you guys checked the foundations are solid? Yeah nah you're right, let's just crack on."

"Hold up, we're 2 floors in and I swear it was taller yesterday? Ah fair enough, it's Friday."

"That's a Monday problem, or one for literally centuries of Mondays from here."

Besides, everyone knows the tower's straight - it's the planet that's all askew.



## NAVIGATOR

#### OK THIS IS WEIRD, BUT IT WORKS

3 parts smoked salmon Hendricks Neptunia (yeah FR)

2 parts thyme Manzanilla

Black pepper, sesame & lemon, at no extra cost.

A questionable quantity of cream cheese\*

\*This is a milk punch. If ya don't know what that means, just ask :)

The story goes that OP was posted on a US military ship, eating breakfast when their ops officer stumbles in, bleary and possibly hungover, sits down and begins the arduous process of consuming a bagel, while a spot of sunlight

from a nearby porthole occupies most of his face.

Persevering through breakfast, he picks up the phone, dials bridge and issues a series of orders, then resumes his torments. Slowly, the infernal spot of photon exposure

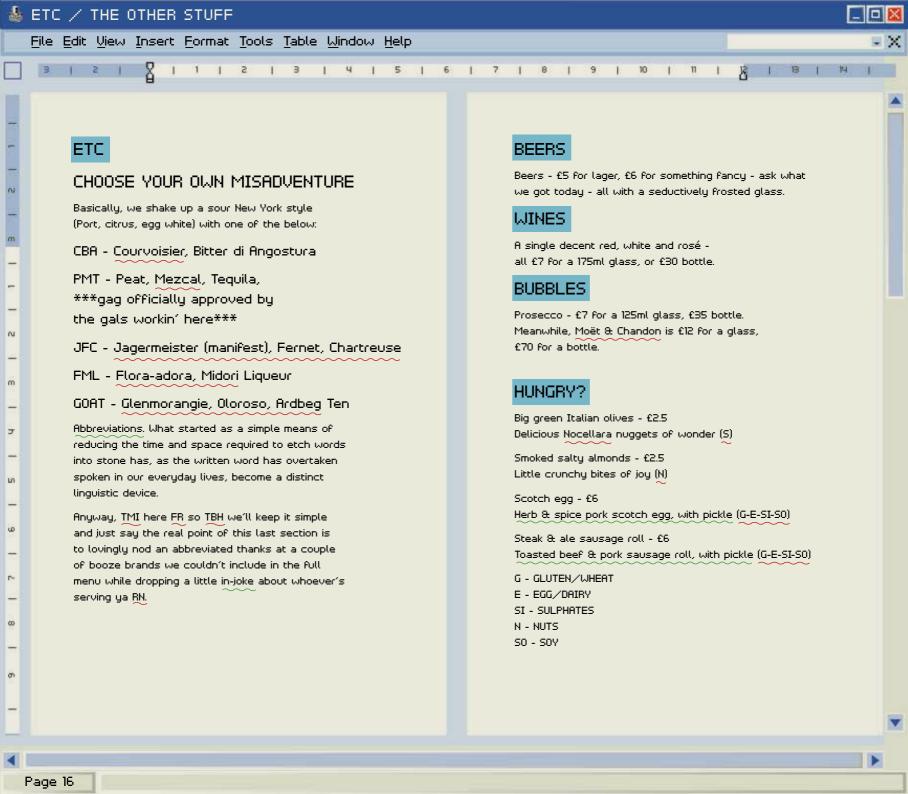
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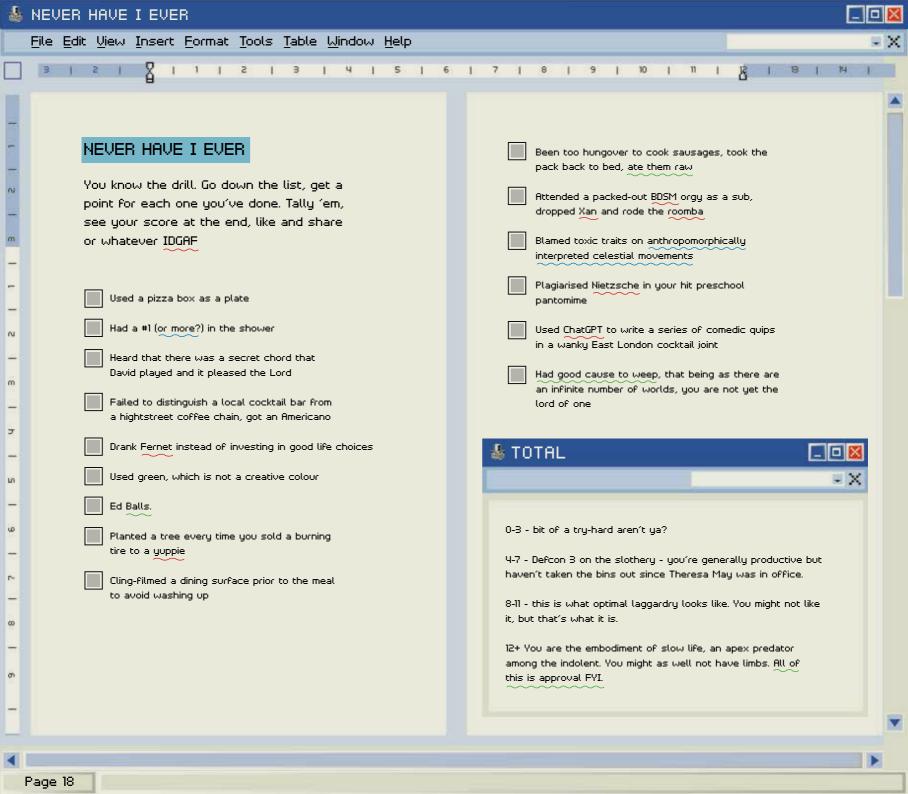
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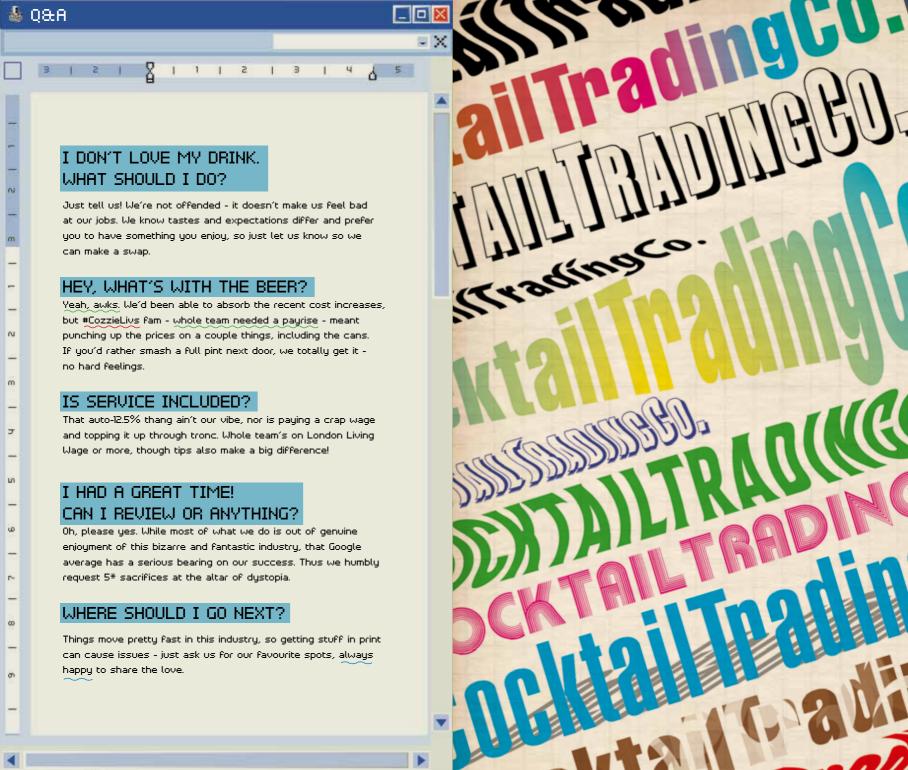
OP is aghast. This man
has just shifted thousands
of tons of steel and
human to move a spot of
light from his face. The
only evidence that he's
aware of this magnificent
act of indolence is a
half-awake grin.

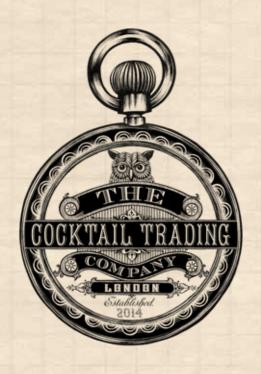












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