Edinburgh Cocktail Week — all you need to know

Edinburgh Cocktail Week is now an established part of the autumn social scene. Details have been released today of new features and cocktails available this year.

The 10-day long programme includes 24 bars in the Cocktail Village on Festival Square with street food trucks and live music. Wristbands will be worn and cocktails will cost £5 each in the Village.

The village is open every day from noon until 11pm and will have some bespoke cocktails for people attending to try out.

Gary Anderson, Managing Director of Edinburgh Cocktail Week said: "We're excited to be back next month for the sixth edition of Edinburgh Cocktail Week.

"Our wee festival, which started in a shop window, has grown to become a much-loved staple in the calendar for locals, which is a reflection of the incredible hospitality sector and abundance of talented mixologists we have here in Edinburgh. This year's programme of bars, brands and experiences is our strongest yet and we're proud to be making a step in the right direction with a new focus on non-alcoholic serves. Research shows that \(\frac{1}{3} \) of people are looking to reduce their alcohol consumption, so we're committed to supporting this growing demand from customers by offering non-alcoholic serves across all elements of the festival.

"With just over a month to go, we're delighted to see wristband sales going from strength to strength — we look forward to welcoming everyone in October — Cheers!"

Roddy Smith, Director and CEO of Essential Edinburgh said: "Essential Edinburgh's continued investment has played a crucial role in the festival's growth each year. It's fantastic to see so many bars within the city participating in ECW 2024. We're proud to call Edinburgh home to the UK's largest cocktail festival, and we're excited about all that this year's programme has to offer."

The Bars

There will be a No and Low bar in the Cocktail Village offering non-alcoholic drinks. In a partnership with Everleaf, Seedlip, Tanqueray 0% and Captain Morgan 0%, the bar will serve up an extensive menu of cocktails.

A Bridgerton-inspired Champagne Lounge in the Cocktail Village, will serve PIAFF Champagne by the glass and bottle in Regency era surroundings. Scones with cream and jam will also be on the menu.



Champagne Lounge

Apart from the Cocktail Village 14 other bars in the city are also signed up and will take part offering a £5 signature cocktail created especially for the festival. The list includes Tattu, Encore Edinburgh, Flight Club, Freddy's, Downstairs at Betty's, Ruma, Kaleidoscope at The Scotch Malt Whisky Society, Duck & Waffle, The Alchemist, The Botanist, The Dome, Eve, Tigerlily, Tonic, Harvey Nichols, House of Gods, and Copper Blossom.

In addition Prestige Cocktails (£9) will be served at Panda & Sons, The Bon Vivant, Hawksmoor, Harrods H Beauty, The Devil's Advocate, Nightcap, Commons Club and The Register Club.

SKYbar Edinburgh is set to host its first 'Shimmy & Sip' rooftop dance class on Friday, 18th October with a range of non-alcoholic cocktails on hand for festival goers to replenish after their rumba. For those looking for a hands-on experience, the Eden Mill Experience will be hosting a series of gin and whisky masterclasses for the duration of the festival.

Drinks providers will include El Jimador Tequila and Malibu Rum with international and local newcomers such as 1800

Tequila, Au Vodka, Edinburgh Gin, Bumbu Rum, Funkin, the Secret Garden Distillery, Schweppes, Pomology, BrewDog and Wonderland Cocktails.

A full list of the brands and bars taking part can be found on the Edinburgh Cocktail Week website and in notes to editors below. Wristbands are on sale now at www.edinburghcocktailweek.co.uk



