

ELDERFLOWER LIQUEUR TRENDING NOW



It seems that mixology is both a cumulative and transitory art, as some boozy traditions continue to pop up on cocktails lists, while others are lost among trending ingredients and stylistic visions. The newest fad on the bartending scene, elderflower liqueur, may make its mark as a quintessential ingredient to boost bright and fragrant notes in the craft cocktail realm. Try it for yourself at these restaurants around the city, as you sip on libations infused with the dynamic spirit.

<u>Union Kitchen & Tap</u> in Encinitas is known for its seaside draw and open-air atmosphere, so it's only fitting that the local eatery offers sparkling libations that pair perfectly with its surroundings. Guests can relax at a high-top, window-seat table as they sip on Union's signature **Sangria Flora**, made from a crisp

blend of white or red house wine, elderflower liqueur and fresh seasonal fruit. Exhibiting warm floral notes from the elderflower and the refreshing flavor profile of traditional sangria, this colorful concoction brims with resplendent flair.

<u>Backyard Kitchen & Tap</u> in Pacific Beach exudes SoCal surf vibes and culinary ingenuity. Whether you choose to unwind and bask in the coastal breeze on their expansive patio, or watch the game from one of their plush bar seats, you won't regret ordering their **Cucumber Cooler**. Mixed with Ketel One, cucumber and watermelon extract, elderflower liqueur, and a watermelon cube, this libation rouses the senses with invigorating notes of fresh cucumber intermingled with hints of delicate floral notes.

<u>Wood Ranch</u> in Mission Valley is bringing authentic barbecue to San Diego's discerning palates, but did you know that this rustically chic spot slings some seriously impressive craft cocktails? Take a seat at their charming, western-style bar and indulge in their **Berry Gin Smash**, a garden-to-glass libation that balances the crisp flavor of Nolet Gin, fresh blackberries and raspberries, lemon juice and simple syrup, with the characteristic floral notes of St. Germain Elderflower liqueur.

For those who prefer their liqueur cradled by champagne bubbles, <u>Pillbox Tavern</u> in Solana Beach boasts their **Saint Champagne** cocktail, a spritely mix of effervescent champagne, Fiorente Elderflower Liqueur and a lemon twist. Simple and well-suited to the area's stunning coastal scene, this drink melds sophistication with laidback beach vibes, a combo that is sure to whisk you into a seaside reverie.