



7 Bartenders Confess Their Most Embarrassing Fails on the Job

Bartenders witness a fair share of embarrassing situations: emotional drunks, bar fights, and tipsy patrons making questionable decisions—and it's not uncommon for all three to occur on a nightly basis during just one shift. But the men and women manning the bar aren't immune to the occasional cringe-worthy moment while they're slinging drinks, either.

During a long night of mixing cocktails, pouring beers, playing therapist, and collecting tips, the alcohol-supplying citizens are apt to make a mistake or two at some point. Here, seven bartenders reveal their most embarrassing fails from behind the bar.

3. Serving to Minors

"It was 2005, and I was working at my Uncle Dan's restaurant in Rockaway Beach, Pier 92—now known as **Bungalow Bar**. It was for a communion/family party. I was 17 at the time, and there were a mix of ages attending. The kids started asking for Shirley Temples, so I delivered. They became a crowd pleaser and more of the kids were requesting Shirley Temples, so I served them Shirley Temples. Once I ran out of what I thought was grenadine, I'd realized I'd been serving them Sloe Gin. I learned the valuable lesson of never serving Sloe Gin to a bunch of kids, but they did have one hell of a party. Thankfully, it was mostly family that I'd served, and we go by the words of 'no harm no foul.' – Trevor Tubridy, Bartender at **Bungalow Bar** in Queens, NY

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