



BARTS

LITTLE BLACK BOOK
OF NOTORIOUS GANGSTERS

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RECORDED: LONDON, 1920-35 | LOCATION: [REDACTED]



FIGURE 1: 1929 MAP OF KNOWN TERRITORIAL INFLUENCES



ALICE DIAMONDS
ELEPHANT & CASTLE



BILLY KIMBER
ISLINGTON



CHARLES SABINI
CLERKENWELL



JACK COMER
WHITECHAPEL

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My dearest shady associates, molls, dolls & grifters,

Welcome to my apartment... better known as London's worst kept secret. Behind these doors you're in safe hands — a place to enjoy a stiff glass of giggle water and forget the prying eyes out in the fog of the Big Smoke.

What you now hold is my Little Black Book — a confidential ledger of the figures who truly ran London between the wars. Their territories, their reputations, and most importantly... what they liked to drink, compiled from observation, conversation... and the occasional loose tongue.

Despite their rivalries, they all shared one thing in common — they each took a seat at my bar. Under my roof there's no funny business, no settling scores, just good company and better liquor.

Within these pages you'll find drinks inspired by their character, their empires, and the parts of London they ruled. If you need guidance, my associates behind the bar know a thing or two about fine spirits and questionable imports.

Take your time, choose wisely...

and remember, when you leave, don't tell a soul!

Uncle Barts

FIGURE 2: REGISTER OF NOTORIOUS LONDON GANGSTERS

PATCH	PERSON OF INTEREST	TASTE PREFERENCES	PAGE
01	ALICE DIAMONDS	FRUITY / SWEET / DELICATE	04-05
02	BILLY KIMBER	SOUR / REFRESHING / CITRUSY	06-07
03	CHARLES SABINI	RICH / COMPLEX / WOODY	08-09
04	JACK COMER	SMOKY / SPICED / SPICY	10-11

ALICE DIAMONDS

THE FORTY ELEPHANTS



NAME: *Alice Elizabeth Black*

BORN: 1886

HEIGHT: 5ft 8in

CRIME: *Burglary*

GANG: *The Forty Elephants*

PATCH: *Elephant & Castle*

RIVAL:

ALLIANCES:

Elephant & Castle Mob

OTHERWISE KNOWN AS:

"The Queen of Thieves"

Ah, Alice Diamonds and her mob of classy crooks, The Forty Elephants, they were a clever bunch, they were. Ain't no store safe when those dames hit the streets. They'd glide through the luxury shops like ghosts, slipping trinkets and treasures into their dresses and petticoats faster than you can say "heist." Then, like clockwork, they'd waltz right into my apartment, cool as cucumbers, and order up a round of drinks like they owned the joint. And maybe, in a way, they did. 'Cause when Alice Diamonds and her crew walked in, you knew trouble wasn't far behind, but hey, trouble never looked so good.



ALICE DIAMONDS

RECORDED PREFERENCES: *Fruity / Sweet / Delicate*

BARTS' NOTES:

Now, Alice, as we know, she had a taste for the finer things, and she had a knack for picking drinks as refined as her own style, leaving behind a scent of sweetness wherever she went. Sure, her crimes weren't exactly delicate, but they sure made folks sit up and take notice in the underworld. Yet, her choice in tipples? It spoke volumes about the dame.

STICKY FINGERS

16

Bombay Sapphire gin, Essentiae lemon verbena liqueur, strawberry & rose shrub, lychee and lime

PUT ON THE POSH

17.5

Belvedere vodka, hibiscus & green tea liqueur, passion fruit, cherry & vanilla, Moët & Chandon Impérial Blanc N.V. Champagne

SMASH & GRAB

15

Bacardi Caribbean Spiced rum, Bacardi Coconut rum, pineapple & coconut, banana, orgeat, lime, Angostura Bitters, Franklin & Sons Pineapple & Almond Soda

FUR COATS AND SILK

15

Bombay Sapphire Premier Cru gin, St-Germain elderflower liqueur, peach liqueur, pomegranate and citrus essence

...OR SERVED NON-ALCOHOLIC 40 kcal

12

Caleño Light & Zesty non-alcoholic spirit, Everleaf Mountain non-alcoholic aperitif, elderflower cordial, pomegranate and citrus essence

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WILLIAM "BILLY" KIMBER

THE BRUMMAGEM BOYS



NAME: *William Kimber*

BORN: *1882*

HEIGHT: *5ft 8in*

CRIME: *Corruption*

GANG: *The Birmingham Boys*

PATCH: *Islington*

RIVALS: *Sabini Gang*

ALLIANCES: *Hoxton Gang*

OTHERWISE KNOWN AS:

"The Bookmaker"

Billy Kimber was a regular in my joint, we'd sit at the bar, whiskey flowing like the Thames, swapping stories of the streets and the racetracks. he was the man with a taste for fine cigars and faster horses. Leading the Birmingham Boys wasn't just about shaking down the locals; it was about owning every inch of the turf, even if it was the one at Epsom Downs. They were his ticket to the high life, winning races and raking in the dough faster than you could say "bet the house." As for the racetracks, well, Sabini saw his opportunity and snatched them up quicker than you could blink. It's a dog-eat-dog world out there, and in the end, even the fastest horses can't outrun fate.



BILLY KIMBER

RECORDED PREFERENCES: *Sour / Refreshing / Citrusy*

BARTS' NOTES:

Billy Kimber, sharp as a tack and twice as cunning, had a hankering for cocktails that packed a punch, just like his schemes. Sour and citrusy concoctions were his poison, each sip a wake-up call for the senses. Billy knew how to pick 'em, matching his vibrant personality sip for sip, and when the Birmingham Boys clashed in the racetrack wars, Billy's zest for life matched every sip amidst the underworld chaos. Just like his drinks, he left a mark wherever he went, whether folks liked it or not.

TEA TIME WITH THE BRUMMIES

15.5

The Botanist gin, Italicus bergamot liqueur, Earl Grey tea syrup, lemon, apricot marmalade and foamer bitters

THE JOCKEY CLUB

15.5

Kaffir lime leaf-infused Grey Goose L'Original vodka, Belle de Brillet pear & cognac liqueur, ginger & lemongrass, pear, apple and lime

THE ITALIAN CONNECTION

15

Bacardi Carta Blanca rum, Lazzaroni Amaretto, mixed berries pureé, egg white and lemon

EL PATRÓN

15.5

Patrón Silver tequila, cactus, pimento & prickly pear liqueur, falernum, grapefruit sherbet, agave, lime, Franklin & Sons Pink Grapefruit Soda

...OR SERVED NON-ALCOHOLIC 125 kcal

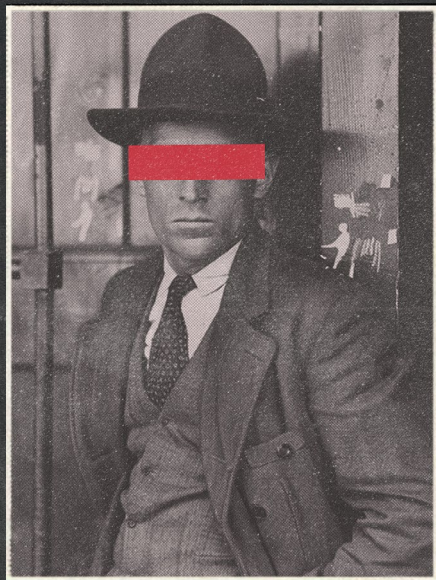
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Smiling Wolf Non-Alcoholic Functional Agave, Martini Vibrante non-alcoholic aperitif, falernum, grapefruit sherbet, agave, lime, Franklin & Sons Pink Grapefruit Soda

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CHARLES "DARBY" SABINI

KING OF THE RACECOURSE GANGS



NAME: *Ottavio Handley*

BORN: *1888*

HEIGHT: *5ft 8in*

CRIME: *Corruption & Violence*

GANG: *Sabini Gang*

PATCH: *Clerkenwell*

RIVALRS: *The Brummagen Boys*

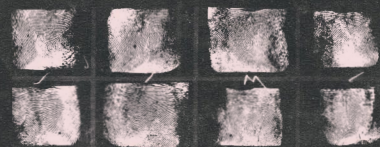
ALLIANCES:

Italians and Jewish bookmakers

Drinks 25



Drinks 26



OTHERWISE KNOWN AS:

The Godfather of Little Italy

Charles Sabini, with Italian roots as deep as the old oak, commanded the Sabini Gang like a modern-day Caesar. From the stables to the streets of London, his iron-fisted rule reigns supreme. With swagger that could charm the pants off a duchess, Sabini held court in my apartment, a true kingpin whose grit and street smarts leave no room for doubt. Cross him, and you'll find yourself sinking in the Thames quicker than you can say "bloody hell." Sabini's the top dog in the city, a force to be reckoned with, especially after he claimed the racecourses from Billy Kimber, solidifying his grip on the underworld and leaving Kimber's legacy in the dust.

CHARLES "DERBY" SABINI

RECORDED PREFERENCES: *Rich / Complex / Woody*

BARTS' NOTES:

With a taste as rich as his ambition, Sabini favoured cocktails as rich and bitter as his schemes and the woody depths of Sabini gang's territory. His preferred libations were a blend of complexity and strength, much like his grip on the racecourses he claimed as his own. Derby sought drinks that mirrored his dominance, leaving no doubt as to who ruled the turf...lets just say bitterness remained on the taste buds of those who dared to cross him.

TAKE A LEAF FROM UNCLE BARTS

16.5

Monkey 47 gin, Bénédictine D.O.M. liqueur, Campari, apricot brandy and Paragon Palo Santo cordial

BAY OF SWIGS

16

Angel's Envy Bourbon whiskey, Mount Gay Black Barrel Double Cask Blend rum, Carpano Antica Formula vermouth, Lucano Anniversario amaro, cherry & vanilla, chocolate & orange bitters

SABINIS MISTRESS

16

Clarified coconut milk-washed with Johnnie Walker Black Ruby Scotch whisky, Rémy Martin VSOP cognac, Martini Riserva Speciale Rubino vermouth, dark chocolate & grenadine, chocolate bitters

KING OF THE RACE

15.5

Bacardi Ocho rum, Patrón XO Cafe, cacao dark, popcorn, espresso, topped with creamy tiramisu foam

...OR SERVED NON-ALCOHOLIC 180 kcal

12

Seedlip Spice 94 distilled non-alcoholic spirit, cacao dark, popcorn, espresso, topped with creamy tiramisu foam

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CASE FILE: 04 | PERSON OF INTEREST:

JACK "SPOT" COMER

THE ROBIN HOOD OF THE EAST END



NAME: *Jacob Colmore*

BORN: *1912*

HEIGHT: *6ft 1in*

CRIME: *Racketeering*

GANG: *Multiple*

PATCH: *East End*

RIVAL: *Billy Hill*

ALLIANCES: *Billy Hill*



OTHERWISE KNOWN AS:

"The Einstein of Crime"

Ah, Jack "Spot" Comer, a real piece of work, that one. He was like a shadow in the East End, lurkin' in every dark alley and smoky joint. They say he got that nickname from a scar on his cheek, a memento from a brawl that left its mark. Spot, he was a proper kingpin, dabbled in everything from protection rackets to running those underground drinking holes. Had the whole city in his pocket, he did. A real heavy hitter in London's underworld, just like we had 'em here in Chicago back in the day.

JACK "SPOT" COMER

RECORDED PREFERENCES: *Smoky / Spiced / Spicy*

BARTS' NOTES:

Jack 'Spot' Comer, with a palate as rugged as the East End streets he ruled, had a hankering for cocktails as smoky and spiced as his reputation. His preferred libations were a fiery blend of bold flavours, just like the spice of life in the underworld he navigated. Spot sought drinks that mirrored his gritty demeanour, leaving no doubt as to who held sway in the shadows of London's East End.

THE BATTLE AT CABLE STREET

15.5

Patrón Silver tequila, Del Maguey Vida mezcal, Cointreau, red pepper and lime

A DAY AT THE BOOKIES

16

Illegal Joven mezcal, Patrón Reposado tequila, Aperol, passion fruit, spicy agave and lime

AN EYE FOR AN EYE

15.5

Hennessy V.S. cognac, Martini Riserva Speciale Bitter, Emilio Lustau East India Solera sherry, apricot brandy, cinnamon liqueur, Angostura Bitters and Peychaud's Bitters

THE HEAD-HUNTER

15.5

Dewar's 12 Years Old Scotch whisky, Cointreau, Ardbegh 10 Years Scotch whisky, ginger concentrate, spicy honey and lemon

...OR SERVED NON-ALCOHOLIC 90 kcal

12

Everleaf Forest non-alcoholic aperitif, Botivo non-alcoholic aperitif, ginger concentrate, spicy honey and lemon

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RECOVERED CONTRABAND | STRICTLY OFF RECORD.

THE FOLLOWING BOTTLES WERE QUIETLY REDIRECTED FOR SAFEKEEPING.

CHAMPAGNE

BLANC 75CL BOTTLE

MOËT & CHANDON IMPÉRIAL BLANC N.V.	95
MOËT & CHANDON GRAND VINTAGE BLANC	145
VEUVE CLICQUOT YELLOW LABEL N.V.	110
RUINART BLANC DE BLANCS N.V.	165
DOM RUINART VINTAGE BLANC DE BLANCS	290
DOM PÉRIGNON VINTAGE BLANC	325
KRUG GRANDE CUVÉE	350

MAGNUM 150CL BOTTLE

MOËT & CHANDON IMPÉRIAL BLANC N.V.	195
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JEROBOAM 300CL BOTTLE

MOËT & CHANDON IMPÉRIAL BLANC N.V.	550
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ROSÉ 75CL BOTTLE

MOËT & CHANDON IMPÉRIAL ROSÉ N.V.	110
MOËT & CHANDON GRAND VINTAGE ROSÉ	165
VEUVE CLICQUOT ROSÉ N.V.	150
RUINART ROSÉ N.V.	175
DOM PÉRIGNON VINTAGE ROSÉ	550
KRUG ROSÉ	550



SCAN FOR ALLERGENS

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SPARKLING

BLANC 75CL BOTTLE

CA' DI ALTE, PROSECCO SPUMANTE EXTRA DRY, VENETO, ITALY	45
CHAPEL DOWN BRUT RESERVE, KENT, ENGLAND	70

ROSÉ 75CL BOTTLE

CHAPEL DOWN ROSÉ RESERVE, KENT, ENGLAND	72
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NON-ALCOHOLIC 75CL BOTTLE

WILD LIFE BOTANICALS NUDE SPARKLING, CORNWALL, ENGLAND	48
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BEER & CIDER

MADRI EXCEPCIONAL LAGER - 4.6%	7
CAMDEN HELLS LAGER 4.6%	7.3
NOAM LAGER 5.2%	10
MEANTIME LONDON PALE ALE 4.3%	7.2
ASPALL SUFFOLK DRAUGHT CYDER 5.5%	7
REKORDERLIG STRAWBERRY & LIME CIDER 3.4%	7.3
STELLA ARTOIS LAGER 0.0% 60 kcal	6.8
UNLTD IPA 0.5% 13 kcal	6.5

RECOVERED CONTRABAND | STRICTLY OFF RECORD.

WINE	WHITE		BOTTLE
	RED		75 cl
	ROSÉ		

WHITE

MOLINICO LOCO, MACABEO - MURCIA, SPAIN	36
'P' ALPHA ZETA, PINOT GRIGIO - VENETO, ITALY	42
AZEVEDO, LOUREIRO & ALVARINHO - VINHO VERDE, PORTUGAL	44
LAROCHE LA CHEVALIÈRE, CHARDONNAY - LANGUEDOC-ROUSSILLON, FRANCE	50
TINPOT HUT, SAUVIGNON BLANC - MARLBOROUGH, NEW ZEALAND	60
LA GIUSTINIANA LUGARARA GAVI DI GAVI, CORTSE - PIEMONTE, ITALY	65
JEAN-CLAUDE BOISSET BOURGOGNE 'LES URSULINES', CHARDONNAY - BURGUNDY, FRANCE	70
CLOUDY BAY, SAUVIGNON BLANC - MARLBOROUGH, NEW ZEALAND	72

RED

PONTE PIETRA, MERLOT & CORVINA - VENETO, ITALY	36
FAMILIA CASTAÑO, MONASTRELL - MURCIA, SPAIN	42
KAIKEN CLÁSICO, MALBEC - MENDOZA, ARGENTINA	44
WILLUNGA 100, GRENACHE - MCLAREN VALE, SOUTH AUSTRALIA	50
FAMILLE PERRIN CÔTES-DU-RHÔNE RÉSERVE, GRENACHE, MOURVÈDRE, SYRAH - SOUTHERN RHÔNE, FRANCE	56
TERRAZAS DE LOS ANDES RESERVA, MALBEC - MENDOZA, ARGENTINA	58
IZADI, RIOJA RESERVA, TEMPRANILLO - RIOJA, SPAIN	65
CHÂTEAU TOUR DE CAPET, SAINT-ÉMILION GRAND CRU, MERLOT & MALBEC - BORDEAUX, FRANCE	75

ROSÉ

PONTE PIETRA, PINOT GRIGIO ROSATO - VENETO, ITALY	36
MAISON MIRABEAU CLASSIC, GRENACHE BLEND - CÔTES DE PROVENCE, FRANCE	45

ORANGE

MACÉRATION DE SOIF VIN ORANGE, DOMAINE JOËL DELAUNAY, SAUVIGNON BLANC - LOIRE, FRANCE	58
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