

Dog-themed Cocktails

Welcome to 2025; the holiday season is well behind us but there is still plenty of summer weather ahead. In this column, I share some of the cocktails inspired by dog breeds. Why not impress your BBQ guests with a cocktail and salute your favourite breed at the same time? 🐾

The Salty Chihuahua



- Coarse salt – wet rim of glass and dip in salt
 - 30 ml tequila
 - 15 ml orange-flavoured liqueur, such as Cointreau
 - 3/4 cup grapefruit juice
- Mix the tequila, liqueur and grapefruit juice in your glass and then add a grapefruit slice for garnish.

The Greyhound



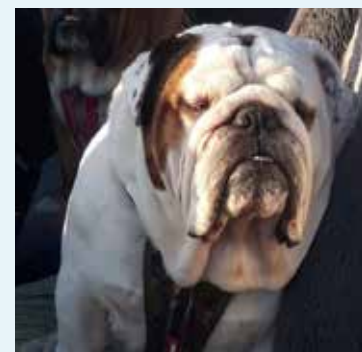
- 60 ml gin or vodka
- 120 ml grapefruit juice
- Mix and then add a lime wedge for garnish

The Regal Beagle



- 15 ml vodka
 - 150 ml grapefruit juice
 - 2 lime wedges
 - 1 teaspoon honey
 - Splash of white wine
- Muddle the honey and limes in the bottom of your glass. Add ice, pour in grapefruit juice, vodka, and the wine, stir.

The Bulldog Smash



- Half a lemon
 - Half a peach, pitted
 - 6-8 fresh mint leaves
 - 1 teaspoon sugar syrup
 - 60 ml bourbon
 - 22 ml Cointreau
- In a shaker, muddle your lemon, peach, mint, and sugar syrup. Add the bourbon and Cointreau. Fill your shaker with ice. Shake, strain into a glass, and top up with crushed ice. Garnish with an extra sprig of mint.