## CHINESE MAI TAI

## **Ingredients**

- 2 ounces dark rum
- 1/2 ounce lychee liqueur (or 1 ounce lychee juice)
- 1/2 ounce ginger simple syrup (recipe below)
- 1/2 ounce orgeat (almond syrup)
- 3/4 ounce fresh lime juice
- 1 dash orange bitters
- Garnish: lychee fruit, mint sprig, lime wheel

## **Directions**

For the ginger simple syrup, combine 1 cup sugar and 3/4 cup water in a saucepan on medium heat. Stir constantly until the sugar is dissolved. Add the 1 cup sliced ginger and continue to heat, bringing the syrup to a light boil. Cover, reduce heat, and allow to simmer for about 15 minutes. Remove from the heat and allow to cool and steep in the covered pan for about 1 hour or until it reaches your preferred taste. Strain out the ginger and bottle under a tight seal. To make the cocktail, shake all ingredients with ice. Strain into a rocks glass over crushed ice. Garnish and enjoy!

