

The Miele Bartenders Guide to Cleaner Cocktails.

The vast array of glasses you find in bars today, particularly bars that specialise in cocktails, is mind-blowing. Certain drinks are only served in specific glasses which can be challenging not only from a storage point of view but also from keeping the glassware clean. With this variety of glasses behind the bar, gone are the days when you could simply clean them with motorised cleaning brushes. Glasses need to be cleaned at a hot temperature (between 50 and 60°C) to ensure they are in the best possible state to accept a new drink. In fact, any residue on the glasses can not only affect the customer experience it can also affect how the drink pours and tastes.

Here is our guide to the most common glasses used and the challenges they create.



Tulip glass

These glasses are typically used for stronger beers and IPAs. They flare out at the top to create a tulip shape. As with any pint glass, any residue left on the inside of the glass after cleaning will affect the pour and taste of the next beer.



Rocks glass

For a straight drink over ice, rocks glasses have become increasingly decorative over recent years although most are still relatively simple. Crystal glasses are popular in this category creating a cleaning challenge due to the many different angles of glass to hold dirt.



Hurricane

Named after the drink being poured into the glass this shape adds flair to any bar. Drinks swirl around the bottom when being poured like a hurricane. As with the tulip glass, these must be thoroughly clean before being used so as not to affect the pour and taste of the drink.



Flute

Champagne flutes have undergone a transformation with the popularity of prosecco. They now come in a variety of different designs but all with very thin, delicate stems. The height of these glasses can often cause challenges when washing.



Margarita

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Variant of the cocktail glass and only used to serve margaritas in all sizes from small to fishbowl. They can have different types of stems but are very broad mouthed so can take up a lot of room in a dishwasher.



Martini

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Similar to a basic cocktail glass but the stems are often very fine and can come in a variety of designs and colours. As with margarita glasses, they do take up a considerable amount of space and the stems can also be very fine.





A small glass ideal for holding and serving a sweet liqueur. These glasses can have long stems despite the actual area for holding the drink being small. The challenge is in ensuring the stems don't break during cleaning.

Shot/shooter



A shot glass is designed to hold a single serving of alcohol whereas a shooter can hold a mixture. Small and narrow, the problem can often be cleaning all the way to the bottom of the glass and ensuring they stay the right way up during cleaning.

Balloon (gin)



Balloon glasses have become incredibly popular with the increasing popularity of gin. Large bulbous glasses and long stems mean these glasses take up a lot of room in a dishwasher.

Irish coffee

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Small-handled, heat resistant glasses that typically hold drinks with milk or cream in them. The challenge is more in the content of the glass than the shape itself.



Coupe

A wide and shallow bowl and can be quite tricky to drink out of. They are very glamourous and typically have a very delicate stem. These glasses present the same challenge as martini or margarita glasses.

There are other challenges too. With the increasing popularity of cocktail bars has come eclectic glassware. This type of glassware is designed to be a talking point whilst still being functional. With strange lines and unusual colours, these glasses create a very different challenge when it comes to cleaning.

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