



Clockwise from above: **MATTHEW BIANCANIELLO'S** FISH OUT OF WATER COCKTAIL. *EAT YOUR DRINK: CULINARY COCKTAILS*. THE MIXOLOGIST IN ACTION.



POLLY'S CASKS
SINGLE-MALT
SCOTCH
WHISKY, \$99.

Los Angeles

BEST IN GLASS

Matthew Biancaniello's specialty cocktails are as much a meal as they are a drink. Since his first bartending job at the Hollywood Roosevelt's Library Bar more than six years ago, the award-winning mixologist has earned a reputation for his garden-to-glass approach to mixology, where handpicked organic ingredients, homemade syrups and freshly harvested honey take center stage in toothsome creations. His offbeat pairings (including the bountiful Fish Out of Water cocktail) are captured in his first tome, *Eat Your Drink: Culinary Cocktails* (Dey Street Books, \$23).

FISH OUT OF WATER

- ¾ oz. fresh lemon juice
- ¾ oz. agave syrup
- 3 green shiso leaves
- 2 oz. bonito-infused blended scotch
- 4 drops olive oil, for garnish
- Onion sprouts, for garnish

In a cocktail shaker, muddle the lemon juice, agave and shiso leaves, then add the scotch and ice. Shake, then double strain into a coupe. Top with the olive oil drops and a handful of the onion sprouts.



Venice

DESK JOB

As a companion to its monthly subscription box, Venice-based snack company **GoodBites** recently introduced Office Box, a selection of founder Angelica Xavier's handmade organic, raw offerings—from cayenne and maple syrup-kissed curry cashews to almond flour and coconut flake-based blonde macaroons—packaged and delivered to your workplace. Xavier promises “better satisfaction than the usual 3 p.m. candy bar,” and after sampling her raw chocolate truffles, packed with goji berries, hemp seed, Himalayan pink salt and pure vanilla powder, we're inclined to agree.



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HIGHLAND FLING

Scotch gets a California twist with **Polly's Casks**. A release from Scottish bottlers Alexander Murray & Co. in collaboration with the Highland's Tullibardine distillery, this limited-edition single-malt is double-barreled, fermented and aged in beer barrels imported from the Central Coast's Firestone Walker Brewing Co. for a nutty, sweet finish.

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