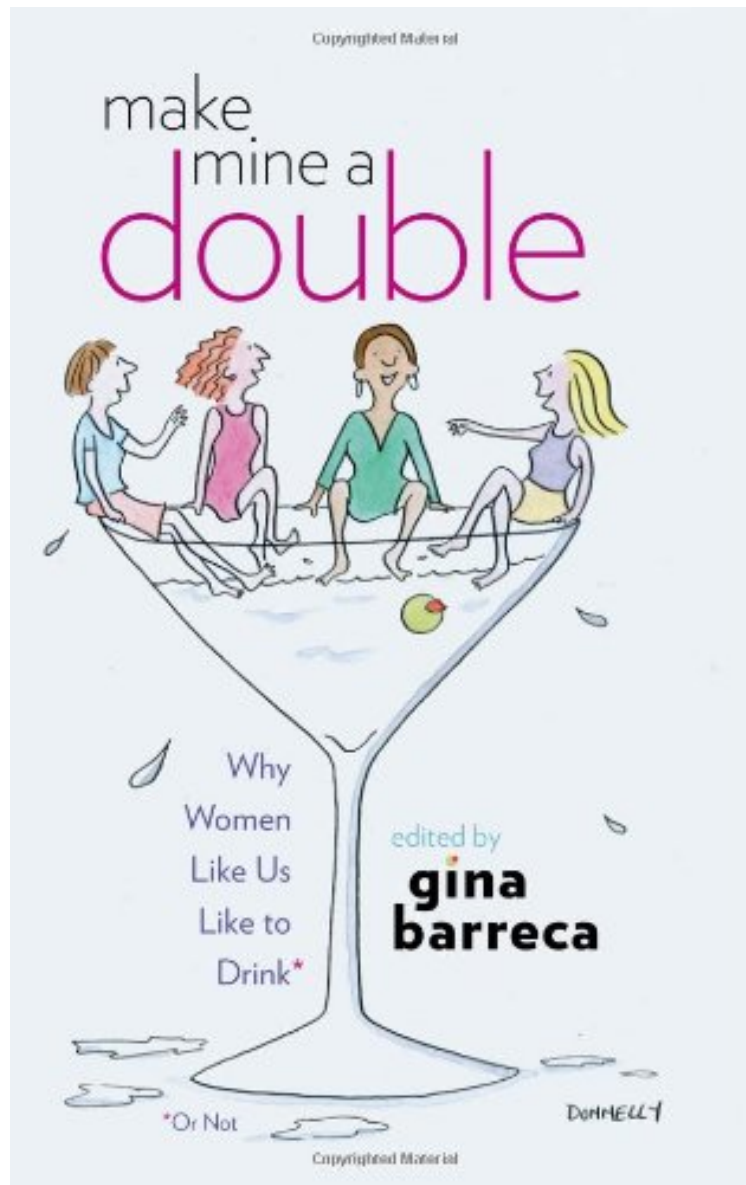


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2 of 3 people found the following review helpful. Make Mine a Double: Why Women Like Us Like to Drink (Or Not)By RSD CowGina is a masterful writer, editor, and humorist...combine all three and you get this wonderfully

entertaining book! And, you don't have to be a "drinker" to enjoy it. You just have to be someone who appreciates good writers and writing and likes to laugh. I'm lucky to have been able to attend a terrific reading of this book recently in Brooklyn where several of the writers--along with Gina--really brought the essays to life. If a similar opportunity comes your way, take advantage of an entertaining evening!

6 of 7 people found the following review helpful. Gift Book for Women Over 21 By Mary Fisher Finally, a book for women who enjoy a their vices! Essays, stories, poems, and historical contexts for women and drinking. You can sip these pieces one by one or gulp them down all at once, but this is great gift book for birthdays, showers, divorces (!) and new phases of women's lives.

2 of 7 people found the following review helpful. A Horrible, Despicable Excuse, But Well Done By Barbara Cardiff This is horrifying in its pompous justification for reckless endangerment of health - physical, emotional and spiritual. I understand these authors are very committed to their agenda. That they write so well and powerfully is proof of their dedication to winning their stake in the argument. The rationale is amusing Ladies - I use your title facetiously. These females - oh so eloquent and well-educated - are tripping over their bios to impress. Why do they so often have to pooh-pooh alcoholism as having no danger here? I will wager that none of the authors has ever experienced any true hardship of addiction or of any type. Maybe this is a cleverly crafted preface for rephase? Maybe the book was underwritten by the pharmaceutical corporations, health insurance and addiction clinics that tediously try to heal those duped into seeking these titillating adventures. Don't ask, I'll tell you - I am female, an accomplished professional woman and I am sober. I won't play one upmanship games (certainly you will not get my bio), but I could rival your stories. So what? Shall I name those recently deceased or hospitalized that may have bios as important as yours that you may have harmed? I didn't see any you at the funerals. "And I, Oh I Will Always Love You", girls, as you remind me to be proud that I am alive, happy and loving.

Make Mine a Double pours together a collection of witty, intelligent, and provocative pieces about women and their beverages of choice. Edited by humorist and academic mahatma Gina Barreca, the twenty-eight original essays here come from a diverse community of voices from ages twenty-one to seventy-nine, including such luminaries as Fay Weldon, Wendy Liebman, Amy Bloom, Liza Donnelly, Nicole Hollander, Beth Jones, Dawn Lundy Martin, and many others. Equal parts paean to spirits, an open discussion of drinking (or not drinking), and a call to feminists everywhere to say "salut," Make Mine a Double shimmers with thoughtfulness, humor, and self-examination. These tales of women's complex relationships with alcohol are the story of every woman's effort to find her independence and sense of belonging, be it at a college party, a high-powered cocktail party, or on a stool at the neighborhood watering hole. Barreca and the writers have agreed that all their profits from the book will be donated to Windham Hospital's "Gina's Friends" fund, which aids women in need.

"In lieu of an evening out with the intelligent, witty contributors, this laugh-out-loud funny, touching, thought-provoking collection is highly recommended."—Library Journal