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Some bartenders are using sake in martinis and cocktails.

Sake

Sake is Japanese rice wine. The level of sake's quality depends on how well the rice is polished or milled. Sake comes clear, creamy and carbonated. It has an alcohol content of about 10-20 percent.

In America, it's commonly served with sushi and other Japanese food in restaurants, but lately sake has taken a hip twist. It has popped up in martinis and cocktails and is

even being dropped into beer (like an Irish car bomb).

Hiller's Market offers a wide variety of sake. Visit www.hillers.com to find one of its six area locations.

Don't forget to say "kampai" when you drink sake with a friend. That's Japanese for "cheers."

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