



Carpano's magic Formula

The boom in aperitivo-style drinks has seen a growing number of bars seeking out the original Milanese vermouth Carpano Antica Formula.

Created in 1786, it is said to be the original vermouth for the Martinez.

Full of complex spice, luscious burnt sugar, black chocolate and rich fruit flavours, with the requisite bitter finish, it is superb sipped over ice, but is also great for adding extra depth and complexity to vermouth drinks including negronis and manhattans.

Formerly extremely hard to find, it has now been added to the lists of www.thedrinkshop.com and www.specialitydrinks.com, priced around £25.