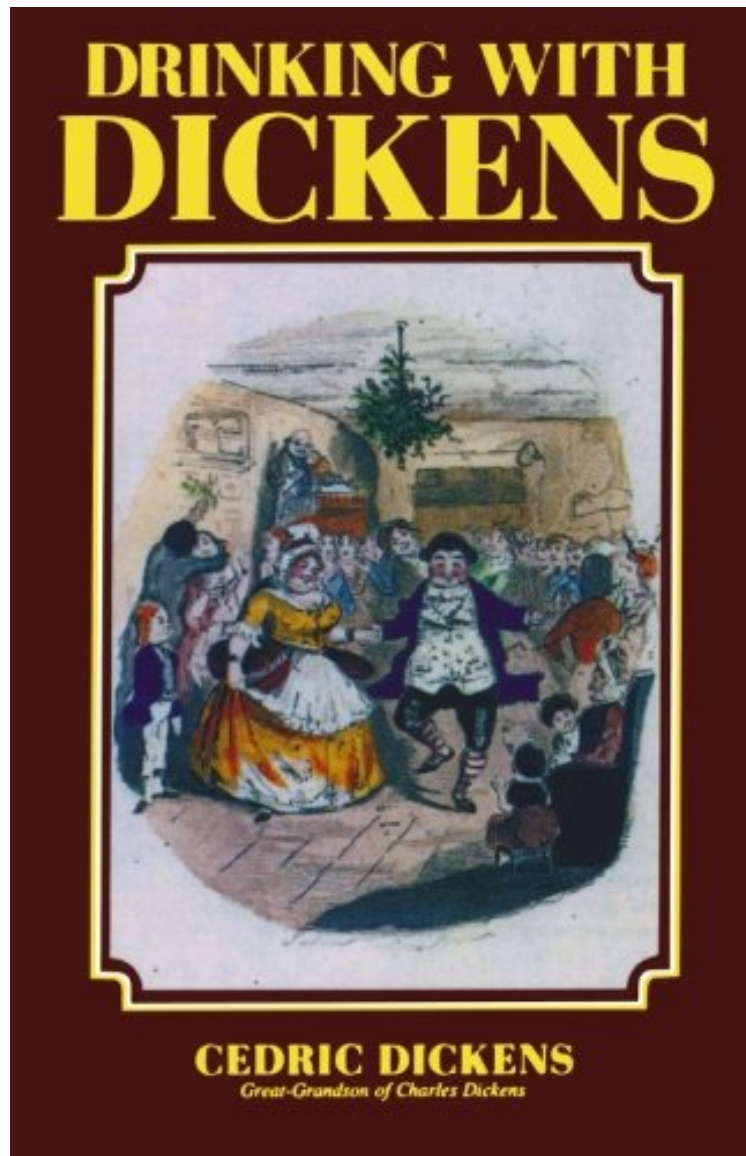


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0 of 0 people found the following review helpful. The book then was a wonderful history of fictional but nearly real life accounts of ...By Eugene O Major When visiting one of the Dickens' houses in London in 1977, I read his recipe for a Christmas punch, laying open on a small desk in this museum house. After touring the house, I immediately sat

outside and wrote out the recipe I memorized. I have been making the Dickens punch every year since and serving its calming brew to guests for almost 40 years. The book then was a wonderful history of fictional but nearly real life accounts of those times that I feel translates well to this new century. Cedric Dickens deserves great credit for his research, insight, and enthusiasm for providing readers of his great grandfather's experiences brought to life again for us to enjoy. 0 of 0 people found the following review helpful. A really fun read! By Richard Meyers I got this on a whim. Dickens is a favorite author and I was curious to read this book. I will now have to get the hard back for reference. 1 of 2 people found the following review helpful. Five Stars By P. Malagrifa Great book! As a wine and spirits educator, lots of great information!

Drinking with Dickens is a light-hearted sketch by Cedric Dickens, the great-grandson of Charles Dickens. There are vivid and memorable drinking scenes in Dickens' books, and Drinking with Dickens abounds in recipes, many based on the drinks of Dickensian England and America: Bishop, Dog's Nose, Hot Bowl Punch, Milk Punch, Mint Julep, Sherry Cobbler, Shrub and Negus, to mention only a few. Unbelievably it seems to be the first book on this vast and important subject, and Cedric has added some recipes and experiences of his own. The Victorian sources include a penny notebook dated 1859 and kept by "Auntie Georgie," Georgina Hogarth, when she was looking after the younger children of Charles Dickens at Gads Hill. It starts with a recipe for Ginger Beer, a teetotal drink which calls for a quart of brandy! Then there is the catalogue for the sale of Gads Hill after Charles Dickens died which shows what was in the cellar at that time. This book transcends the generations. Cedric, with an eye for people and detail, describes a whole series of joyous episodes where drink, wisely taken, has been the catalyst.

If you like Dickens and drink, this is a pleasant, idle interlude. (The Boston Globe) Drinking with Dickens is good fun, both as light reading and as a useful supplement to your library of mixology.... A combination of entertaining historical lore, quotationshellip;and a collection of absolutely fascinating recipes. (John Linsenmeyer) Recommended. (Food and Wine) About the Author Cedric Dickens' knowledge of the inns of his great-grandfather's London is second to none, and he shares his forebear's taste for "delectable drinks," "enlivening fluids" and "glorious jorums."