

In the Spirits



A LITTLE BUTTERCUP

Winter nights in the Southwest can chill to the bone when accompanied by the sharp winds that howl through the valley. When searching for a comfortable place to relax with a toasty beverage that is sure to warm things up, look no further than Cattle Baron and a hot buttered rum.

The bar inside Cattle Baron has a country-sheik ambiance that makes for an inviting place to warm up and enjoy good company and good drinks. Bartender Travis Barnes says the margarita is always a favorite, but the hot buttered rum has become increasingly popular as the temperature drops. This tasty beverage has a history of popularity that dates back to the early 1800s when it was used during elections as a persuasive potion provided to voters. Hailing from Ireland, the hot buttered rum is a decadent blend of brown sugar, molasses, rum and spices that are warmed up with hot water or cider. It is the combination of these delicious ingredients that makes this a sweet treat that can soothe a scratchy throat while warming the belly.

There have been many variations of the hot buttered rum that all lead back to a classic and simple recipe. Fragrant and calming, this easy drink begins with an ounce of rum that mingles with the rich butter mixture in a glass mug. These indulgent ingredients are then melted together by adding piping hot water or cider and then garnished with lemon, which adds to the therapeutic effects offered by this aromatic winter drink.

Cattle Baron has a cup of warmth waiting to melt the chill of the southwestern nights. A drink that makes you feel warmer just at the mention of its name; the hot buttered rum can warm you up from the inside out.

HOT BUTTERED RUM

- 1 ounce rum, preferably dark
- 1 1/2 tablespoons butter rum mixture (molasses, brown sugar, butter, spices)
- Hot water or cider
- Lemon for garnish

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