



LORENZO ANTINORI & SIMONE CARPORALE TO OPEN CUBAN-INSPIRED BAR IN HONG KONG

Two industry icons present Montana: a bar that blends the golden age of Cuban mixology with the rhythm and energy of 1970s Miami, launching this summer



[14 April 2025] In a city that thrives on energy, culture, and world-class hospitality, two longtime friends and respected bartenders are coming together to celebrate what they love the most: warm hospitality, camaraderie, and the simple joy of a well-made drink. Lorenzo Antinori (Bar Leone, Hong Kong – No.2, *The World's 50 Best Bars 2024*, and *The Best Bar in Asia 2024*) and Simone Caporale (Sips, Barcelona – No.3, *The World's 50 Best Bars 2024*; *The Best Bar in Europe 2024*; *The World's Best Bar 2023*) are uniting to unveil *Montana*, a bar that draws from the craft and legacy of the Club de los Cantineros, Cuba's legendary bartenders' guild, while channeling the electric energy of Miami in the 1970s. Set in Hong Kong, a melting pot where global influences and a discerning cosmopolitan clientele collide, *Montana* is set to become a vibrant homage to an era when Cuban cocktails were at their peak, and disco music set the rhythm.

Designed to celebrate the golden era of Cuban mixology, *Montana* will highlight the precision of classics like the Daiquiri, Mojito, and El Presidente, cocktails born from the traditions of the Club de los Cantineros, while infusing them with the same dedication and creativity that have shaped Antinori and Caporale's careers. This collaboration is not about nostalgia or zeitgeist but about energy; about music, movement, and the kind of hospitality that lingers long after the last sip. For now, details remain deliberately elusive, but what's certain is that *Montana* is built on friendship and a shared love for the craft – and that's always worth raising a glass too.



Montana is set to open in Hong Kong in summer 2025

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About Montana

Montana is where the golden age of Cuban cocktails collides with the electric pulse of the 1970s. A project born from the minds—and hands—of globally acclaimed bartenders Lorenzo Antinori and Simone Caporale, Montana channels the legacy of the legendary *Club de los Cantineros* while embracing the bold, sun-soaked spirit of Miami's golden era. Expect razor-sharp Daiquiris, ice-cold Mojitos, and El Presidentes with a storyteller's touch, all served with the kind of hospitality that lingers long after the music fades. More than just a bar, it is a love letter to craft cocktails, culture, and the moments that turn a great drink into an unforgettable night. Opening in Hong Kong, summer 2025.

About Lorenzo Antinori & Simone Caporale

Lorenzo Antinori and Simone Caporale are two of the most influential bartenders of their generation, each redefining the craft of cocktails in their own way. Lorenzo, originally from Rome, made his mark in London and Seoul before shaping Hong Kong's bar scene with the award-winning ARGO and his own globally-acclaimed Bar Leone. Simone, renowned for his visionary work at Artesian at The Langham, led it to four consecutive World's Best Bar titles before co-founding Sips in Barcelona, where he continues to push the boundaries of modern mixology. United by a deep passion for hospitality and the artistry of cocktails, they come together for Montana: a bar that channels the golden age of Cuban mixology through the rhythm and energy of 1970s Miami, blending precision, storytelling, and unfiltered conviviality into every pour.

