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## goldfinger

*worthy of a 007-style seduction*

- 1 twist of lemon
- 1/2 ounce (1 tablespoon) cognac
- 1 teaspoon simple honey syrup
- 2 dashes orange bitters
- 5 ounces (about 2/3 cup) brut Champagne, chilled

This lascivious Champagne cocktail requires a simple honey syrup. To make it, combine equal parts honey and water in a saucepan and set over medium heat, stirring occasionally to ensure that the honey dissolves completely. Just as the solution reaches a boil, remove the pan from the heat and let cool completely before using. Or, combine in a microwave-safe bowl and microwave just until the mixture begins to bubble. When making this (or any other) Champagne cocktail, be sure to place all the other ingredients in the flute before adding the Champagne.

"If you had asked me three years ago, I would have told you that I didn't believe in love at first sight and I didn't believe that aphrodisiacs truly worked. Then I saw the man that would become my husband a year later. When I saw him, the world stopped and I felt for the first time that everything was connected and something brought me to that place at that time; I fell in love at first sight. Then, almost three years later, I had my first sip of this Champagne cocktail with my husband and felt again like everything was connected, but this time it was the honey and the bubbly coming together, a marrying of flavors and the senses instead of people. Now, I believe that aphrodisiacs truly work."

*Kimberly and Mike, married 2 years, Memphis, TN*

"Well, as a newlywed with Baptist tendencies, this whole aphrodisiac thing felt a little scandalous – especially when you add alcohol to the equation. My wife and I tried this one early in the morning and late at night. I'd say that it's far better suited for late night seductions – it's just too powerful for an a.m. release. I can say, however, that two servings in the morning did get us through our first round of financial discussions and bill payments without too much of a fuss. The evening test was much more interesting, but a good Southern Baptist never kisses and tells. You'll just have to imagine. King Solomon would be proud."

*Jeff and Dana, married 2 months, San Francisco, CA*

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Rim a Champagne flute with the lemon twist and drop the twist into the glass. Add the cognac, honey syrup, and bitters. Gently top with Champagne.