

Jordan Kowalczyk

Bartender, High-Volume Cocktail Bar

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Summary

Bartender with six years in high-volume cocktail and hotel bars, now serving 350 to 400 drinks on a Saturday at a 140-seat bar. Wrote the fall cocktail menu and brought pour cost from 22% to 18.5%.

Skills

TECHNICAL SKILLS:

Classic and modern cocktails

Menu development

Pour cost control

Inventory and ordering

Toast POS

Draft line cleaning

Work Experience

Bartender

The Copper Finch | 05/2022 – present

- Work a three-bartender well at a 140-seat cocktail bar, serving 350 to 400 drinks on weekend nights.
- Wrote 6 of the 10 drinks on the fall 2025 menu; two became the bar's top sellers by volume.
- Moved the team to jiggered pours and weekly counts; pour cost fell from 22% to 18.5% in five months.
- Count 180 bottles and kegs every Sunday and draft the weekly liquor order for the bar manager.

Barback, promoted to Bartender

Harbor Point Hotel Lobby Bar | 06/2020 – 04/2022

- Promoted from barback to bartender in 8 months; ran the service bar for a 220-seat restaurant and events.
- Carded every guest who looked under 40 and passed every minor decoy check during 2021.

Education

High School Diploma

Mission Bay High School | 08/2012 – 06/2016

Certificates & Courses

Responsible Beverage Service (RBS) Certification

California Department of Alcoholic Beverage Control · Valid through May 2028

WSET Level 2 Award in Spirits

Wine & Spirit Education Trust · November 2024