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Absolut - the international icebreaker

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International icebreaker, peacemaker, interlocutor.

From Sweden, as always

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"Skäl!" is how we say it in Sweden. It means to your health, or just simply cheers. Folks say cheers in their own way around the world, including "Salut!" in Scotland, Spain and Italy. What a lovely coincidence that our vodka is called Absolut.

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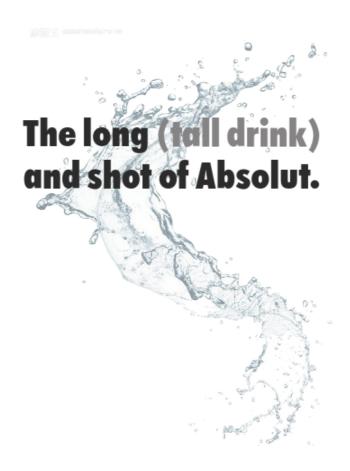
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Traditionally, vodka is drunk neat in a small shot glass, preferably without ice. And it is



downed in one gulp. No small sips here. Bottoms up, as tipplers say. If you are inclined to nurse your drink through an entire luncheon or evening, we suggest a long, tall drink – a cocktail made with vodka. Why do you think Absolut invented all those fantastic flavours?

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We Swedes have built something of a reputation as icebreakers and peacemakers in resolving international conflicts. As makers of Absolut, one of the world's leading vodkas, we help bring people together, even in times of peace.

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Remember, the word summit is both a meeting of people, as well as the scaling of a peak.
Glass of Absolut in hand, neither is impossible. For it is the icebreaker par excellence.



The best places to break the ice around the world are these absolute ice-bars.

Sounds paradoxical, but breaking the ice at icebars is simply the coolest way to keep the peace. And Sweden, home to Absolut vodka, one of the world's leading vodka brands is also where the world's first ice bar opened.

Allow us to take you on a tour of the world's finest icebars that Absolut is happy to partner with.

The Ice Bar in Ice Hotel, Jukkasjärvi, Sweden

The world's first ice bar that represents a collaborative effort between several artists who come together to recreate it at the start of every year. Located in our home country, it is still considered the world's finest and the most frequented.

Absolut Ice Bar, Stockholm, Sweden

Also in Sweden is the Absolut Ice Bar, we partnered with right from the start. It serves food – small bites – to go with your drinks. and an unusual range of cocktails.

The Arctic Ice Bar, Helsinki, Finland

Trust us Scandinavians to turn



snow and ice into a welcoming place for guests to enjoy a drink with their friends, accompanied by music. At the end of an evening here, plenty of ice will have been broken!

Magic Ice Bar, Oslo, Norway

In the land of the midnight sun is an enchanting ice bar, where Norwegian art is given full expression in ice, along with decorative lights and music to create the right atmosphere.

Xtra-Cold Ice Bar, Amsterdam, Netherlands

Three complimentary drinks are included and it takes you on an Arctic adventure to the North Pole, recreating the ship journey that the explorer, Willem Barentz, made in the late 16th century.

Magic Ice Bar, Rekjavik, Iceland

You can celebrate the country's past when Norwegian Vikings sailed across the Atlantic to discover Iceland. It also hosts corporate events and private parties, so do check it out.

Ice Space, Eliat, Israel

Enjoy your drink in the company of friends and fish swimming in fish tanks. Then, ride down an ice-slide to complete your memorable evening out.

Go travel and break some ice. Skal!





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Since our making of Absolut is not affected by the fluctuating prices of wheat around the world, you could say Absolut is protected against inflation.

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