

ZFO

ZANTE FLAIR OPEN

2026

Rules Guide

**Official Information &
Scoring System**

Official WFA World Tour Event

ZANTE FLAIR OPEN 2026 IS A WFA GRAND SLAM



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Global Competitive Circuit

Ranking points earned at ZFO count directly toward the official WFA World Ranking.



The Pinnacle Event Status

A Grand Slam is the highest level a flair bartending competition can achieve globally.



Why It Matters

Elite international status, the opportunity to earn Purple & Black grades, and maximum impact on your world ranking.

Grand Slam Winner: 2,000 Pts

Part of the credible, transparent, and professional WFA World Tour framework. Performance, consistency, and pressure across the season determine the World No. 1.

Prize Pool + Awards



1ST PLACE
+ WFA Black Level

3500€



2ND PLACE
+ WFA Black Level

2500€



3RD PLACE
+ WFA Black Level

1500€

4TH PLACE + WFA Purple Level

1000€

5TH PLACE + WFA Purple Level

750€

6TH PLACE + WFA Purple Level

500€

// MORE PRIZES //

BEST FEMALE
1000€ PRIZE

BEST COCKTAIL
200€ PRIZE

BEST MEGA FLAIR MOVE CHALLENGE
200€ (Non-Finalists) / 50€ (Finalists) PRIZE

SPEED OPENING
200€ PRIZE







ZANTE'S BEST BARTENDER
ANNUAL TROPHY

Key Info + Schedule

Essentials

-  **18+ only**; limited spaces available
-  **Entry deadline:**
Mon 1 Jun 2026
-  **Register:** WFA premium member (£29.95/yr) + pay ZFO fee via Eventbrite (no refunds)
-  **Forms due 1 Jun:** Travel Info + Cocktail Recipe
-  **Transport:** Arrival pick-up included; return transport is self-arranged
-  **Accommodation:** Included only with entry + accommodation package
-  **Dress code: EVERYONE MUST WEAR THE** Provided ZFO T-shirt & shorts on stage
-  **Music:** Must be high-quality MP3 on labeled USB only
-  **Conduct:** Be on time, respectful, and sober on stage

Schedule

-  **5 Jun** Arrival + Greek style group dinner
-  **6 Jun** 12:00pm: Qualifying round at Infinity Beach Club
-  **7 Jun** 2:30pm: Finals at Infinity Beach Club
-  **7 Jun** 10pm: Results & Awards at Aura Club
-  **8 Jun (Day)** Island cruise for all competitors
-  **8 Jun (22:00)** After Party at Aura Club
-  **9 Jun** Departures

** Schedule is subject to change; competitors will be informed of updates.*



Infinity Beach Club

Location

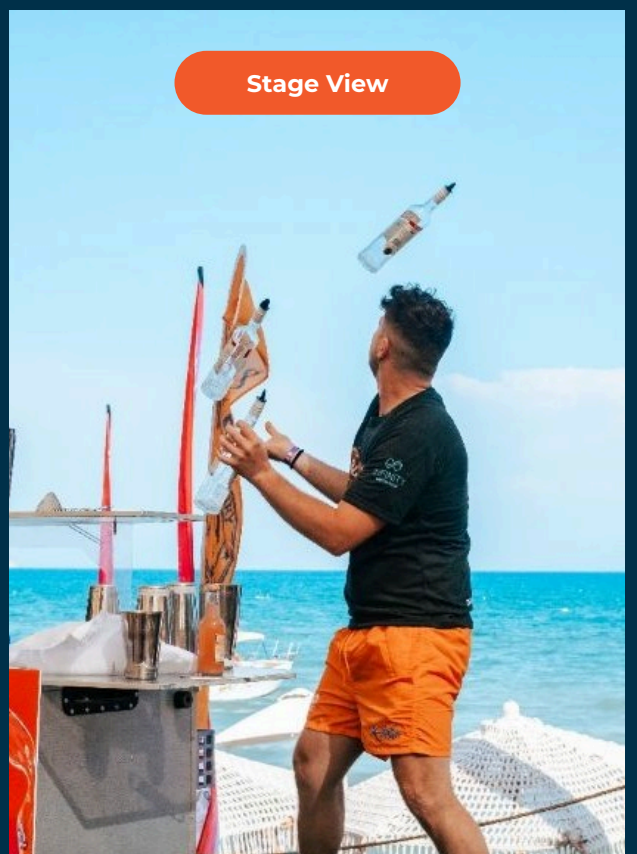
Laganas, Zakynthos

Greece

 Beachfront competition setting

 Open-air stage

 Sea-view atmosphere



 View on Google Maps: <https://maps.app.goo.gl/JNRZT5Sfneef4T7y8>

Three experienced flair bartenders guiding the competition

Main Judges



**Tom
Dyer**

🍸 Flair Bartender

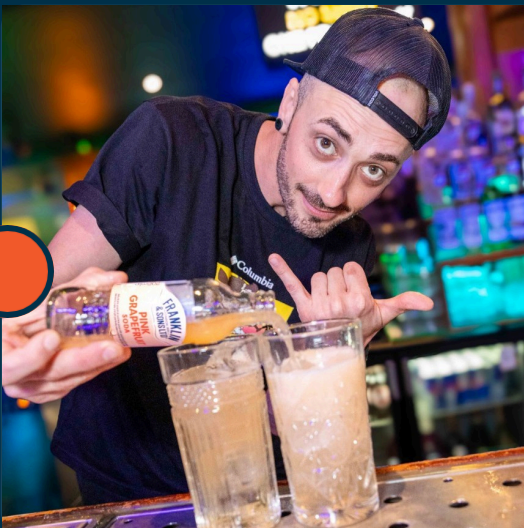
WFA co-founder & world champion



**Miguel
Duarte**

🍸 Flair Bartender

IBA Flair President & Legends World Flair organizer



**Flavius
Lupu**

🍸 Flair Bartender

International flair bartender & trainer

Competition Format



Qualifying



Top 10 + Best Greek
+ Best Female



Finals

Qualifying Round

- 4-minute** routine
- Maximum **50 competitors**
- Two set cocktails** required
- Cocktails are **not tasted** in this round
- Judged on:** Originality, Difficulty, Variety, Choreography, Music Interaction, Showmanship
- Running order by **WFA grading**



Final Round

- 6-minute** routine
- Own-creation cocktail** is tasted and scored
- Running order based on **highest qualifying points**
- Scores **do NOT carry over** from qualifying
- Winners announced at Aura Club at 10pm
- Awards + **After party** at Zeros Club (01:00)



ADVANCEMENT: Top 10 + Best Greek + Best Female advance.
(No extra places added if Best Greek/Female are already in the Top 10)

Routine Rules & Equipment

Timing & Conduct

Setup: 4 min setup; break down bar quickly after round

Stage: Max 2 bar backs allowed; competitors only backstage

Routine: Perform one Finest Call stall

Safety: NO fire, flames, or flammable liquids

Conditions: Outdoor stage — prepare for wind, sun, or rain

Conduct: Follow WFA competitors code strictly

Bottles & Labels

Working flair: Min ½ full; metal pour spout required; NO tapped/shortened spouts

Exhibition: Min 15ml liquid; any free-flow spout allowed

Tape: Electrical or insulation tape ONLY

Branding: Only ZFO stickers allowed; remove all other labels

Setup: No empty bottles permitted

Sponsor Use Rules

Routine %: Sponsor product must be used for at least 10% of the routine

First Drink: The first drink in both rounds MUST be made using working flair with the sponsor vodka bottle (at least ½ full)

OWN COCKTAIL CREATIONS (FINALS ONLY)

Theme: Cocktails must Zakyntos themed. Beach cocktails, sun, sand, sea and local products

Local Products: At least ONE local product must be used as garnish or ingredient

Ingredients: The Vodka sponsor must be included in your cocktail Please bring all your own ingredients or speak to the organisers to help source when you need

Glassware: Bring your own equipment and glassware



Competitors Must Bring: Garnishes, and any other bottles, ingredients, or equipment needed (set cocktail ingredients can be transferred) - watch this space for any potential sponsor inclusions that will need to be included

Quick Rules Summary

THE ESSENTIALS TO REMEMBER BEFORE YOU COMPETE

Must Do

- ✓ Be 18+ and registered (WFA premium + ZFO fee)
- ✓ Attend the mandatory online briefing (Sun 31 May)
- ✓ Submit Travel Info + Cocktail Recipe forms by Mon 1 Jun
- ✓ Bring your music on a labeled USB (high-quality MP3)
- ✓ Wear the official provided ZFO tee and shorts

Time Limits

4 MIN

Setup Time



4 MIN




Qualifying





6 MIN

Finals

Stage Rules

-  Max 2 bar backs allowed; competitors only backstage
No fire, flames, or flammable liquids allowed
-  Outdoor stage — weather conditions may affect your routine
-  Only your competition drink is permitted on stage

Avoid Penalties

-  **Routine %:** Sponsor product must be used for at least 10% of your performance
-  **First Drink Rule:** First drink in both rounds MUST use the working flair sponsor vodka bottle (min ½ full)

Missing Drink
-20

Break
-5 ea

Drop
-3 ea

Spill
-2 ea

PLEASE NOTE - THE RULES AND REQUIREMENTS ARE SUBJECT TO CHANGE AS NEW SPONSORS COME ON BOARD

Performance Scoring + Deductions

Performance Max 230

💡 Originality		50
🔄 Difficulty		50
👣 Choreography		50
🎪 Variety		30
🎵 Music Interaction		20
★ Showmanship		30

Cocktail Max 60

🍷 Flavour Balance		20
💡 Creativity		15
💧 Texture / Mouthfeel		15
🔗 Ingredient Synergy		10



Deductions

❗ Misc. technique
/drink issue

up to -2

🚫 Sponsor-use
shortfall

up to -10

🍷 Missing Drink

-20

↓ Drops

-3 ea

🌊 Spills

-2 ea

🌟 Breaks*

-5 ea

* Breaks exclude accidental roll-offs from stage.
Judges' decisions are final. Score sheets available on the WFA website post-event.

Cocktail Scores Explanation + Reminders

Scores Explanation








Flavour Balance: Does the drink have a lot of flavour and is well balance based on the ingredients. Does it leave a lingering taste in your mouth. Is it unique

Creativity: Is it unique, and different from anything else. Does it stand out and is is creative overall.

Texture/Mouthfeel: What does the liquid feel like. Does is leave a nice taste in your mouth and are the ingredients well incorporated?

Ingredient Synergy: How well do the ingredients work together and how well did you incorporate local ingredients into your cocktail. Can you taste them all or is one over powering the rest?

Key Reminders

-  **Mandatory Briefing:** Online Sunday 31 May. This is where rules are clarified. (Day-of briefing covers logistics only).
-  **Forms Due:** Submit Travel Info + Cocktail Recipe online by Monday 1 Jun.
-  **Music Guidelines:** Must be high-quality MP3 provided on a labeled USB. Test tracks before submitting.
-  **Stage Etiquette:** Only your competition drink allowed on stage. Stay sober and respectful to all staff, judges, and peers.
-  **Weather Plan:** Indoor backup venue is ready if conditions change.
-  **Registration:** Secure via WFA (premium required) + ZFO Eventbrite fee. No refunds permitted.
-  **Transport:** Arrival airport/ferry pick-up included. Return transport must be arranged independently.

Contact / Questions

Event Details

 Dates	5–9 Jun 2026
 Location	Zakynthos, Greece
 Main Venue	Infinity Beach Club
 Briefing	Online on Sun 31 May
 Forms Due	Mon 1 Jun

Registration + Reminders

- ✓ **Register:** WFA premium membership required. Pay ZFO fee via website (no refunds).
- ✓ **Transport:** Arrival airport/ferry pick-up included. Return transport self-arranged.
- ✓ **Accommodation:** Included only with entry + accommodation package.
- ✓ **Equipment:** Bring labeled USB MP3, garnishes, and required bottles/tools.

Logistics Questions?

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Competition Questions

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We look forward to welcoming you to Zakynthos.

