



## Ammo's Small-Batch Social: Tequila Ocho



Tastiest appetizer: steak on a rosemary spear. (*Caroline on Crack*)

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Last week, Hollywood neighborhood eatery [Ammo](#) kicked off its new tasting series amid a revelry of bloggers and cocktails. Small-Batch Social is meant to bring together booze fans and industry experts alike while showcasing small-production spirits, wine and beer.

And for the debut event last Thursday, [Tequila Ocho](#), from Jalisco, Mexico, was in the spotlight with brand ambassador Scott Haro schooling us on Tequila Ocho's 2008 Plata, Reposado and Anejo tequilas. Bonus was that each sample was accompanied by a tasty sangrita to complement the flavors of the tequila.

We liked the Plata the best for its smoothness and drinkability while the tangerine sangrita made us long for it in a bigger glass. The delicious appetizers -- steak on a rosemary spear, kanpachi crudo on a spoon and oven-roasted chicken with mint, cilantro and ginger on a bed of lettuce -- kept the attendees sated between tastings. We just wished that they put out two more plates of that steak with rosemary. So tender and juicy.

The intimate group of tequila tasters crowded in the smallish bar area of the restaurant, making us wonder how they'd do this if more people showed up. Not a stretch considering all the coverage the event got from [Daily Candy](#), [Tasting Table](#) and [LA Times' Daily Dish](#) blog just last week.

Fortunately it never got out of hand and we socialized, compared notes and, naturally, enjoyed the tequila.

No confirmation yet on what will be the focus of next month's social (there's talk of a vodka tasting) but it'll still be in the affordable \$20 range.

By the way, you can get a taste of Tequila Ocho in Ammo's newest cocktail on the menu, Tequila Ocho Margarita which is Tequila Ocho Plata, agave nectar and lime (salt only if you request it).

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