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GETTING TO KNOW DARIO

Dario (The Tourist) Doimo

by Rob Husted

All the way from Italy comes an Italian Flair legend in the making. Touring the globe, making a name for himself.

We sat down with **Mr. Dario Doimo** (pictured right) after his second place win at the [Legends of Bartending 7](#).

Age? 21.

Where are you from? Venice, Italy.

How long have you've been Bartending?
Three years.

And Flair Bartending? The same.

Where do you Work? At the moment I'm not working. I just practice at home.



What got you into Flair Bartending? The movie *Cocktail*, and watching my brother **Giovanni**. He just got done taking a Flair Bartending course and he came home and showed me a simple tin flip behind the back and after that I was hooked.

How did you start out learning to Flair? I started teaching myself some moves and after that I saw some competition videos and then went to my first Flair competition and was amazed and that motivated me to practice more.

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Tell us about the Italian Flair scene and how the competitions are run there? Most people want their drinks fast, but on occasion you have the people that really appreciate it and welcome it. As for competitions, the emphasize in Italy is more on exhibition and working Flair with a little bit of pour test.

Why do you Flair now? It is my passion, it is my life.

Describe to us your style of Flair? It's hard to describe my own style but what I try to do is entertain people and have fun .

What is your favorite Flair Bartending competition? I love and enjoy all competitions but [Legends of Bartending](#) is my favorite because it finds the best overall Flair Bartender.



Who do you look up to in this Sport? I look at myself to always improve but I respect **Christian Delpech** and **Rodrigo Delpech** because of the determination to win, **Mindaugas Gradeckas** because of his speed, **Nicolas Saint Jean** because of his originality and **Fabio Milani** and **Francesco Leoni** because they represent Italy the best.

Tell us about your brother Giovanni Domio? My brother is an example for me. He always helps me to prepare for competitions and if he would practice more instead of partying and drinking, he would finish better in competitions.

You recently placed second at the Legends of Bartending 7, tell us how you feel about that? I still can't believe it yet. I'm in shock!

How often do you practice? I practiced for [Legends](#) for eleven days, eight hours a day. In general I practice one or two hours a day.

What advice now would you give to some of the new people out there who are thinking of competing? Practice. Practice and Practice. If you don't succeed at first, practice harder. Never give up.

Tell us about your first Flair Competition and your experiences there, what were you feeling, did everything go as planned? I was a little bit nervous but in my qualifier I had no drops. I finished 4th place and I was really happy.

What are your predictions for King of the Ring this Year? It's going to be a hard competition because of so many good competitors and this year there is a new Argentinean in the competition who may make it to the finals.



What is your favorite drink? My favorite drink is a *Long Island Ice Tea* because I like the taste.

What are your plans now? I would like to find a job and my dream would be to work in Las Vegas in a nice Flair bar.

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