Maybe Just Drunk Enough to Remember

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Drunken recollections, especially in rape trials, rarely play well to jurors. In a society that can be quick to turn a skeptical eye toward women who say they were raped — she was scantily dressed, she's promiscuous, she's just angry at him — prosecutors of sex crimes say one of their biggest obstacles in the courtroom is alcohol.

A rape trial in Manhattan is the latest example. The accuser, who completed her testimony Monday, admitted that she was so drunk on the night in question that she could not remember most of what happened, even the cab ride home. Yet she provided a vivid description of the moment she said she was raped by the police officer who escorted her up to her apartment.

Can someone be that drunk, yet remember specific details of an event?

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