STELLA BARRA

CACIO E PEPE

Serving Size: 4

INGREDIENTS

- ¾ lb long dry pasta (like spaghetti or bucatini)
- water and kosher salt as needed
- ¾ cup finely grated pecorino romano, plus more for garnish
- ¼ cup finely grated parmigiano reggiano, plus more for garnish
- 2 tbsp. freshly ground black pepper, plus more for garnish
- 1/2 to 1 cup pasta water, reserved
- 3 tbsp. extra virgin olive oil

METHOD

- 1. Cook the pasta according to package directions in ample boiling salted water.
- 2. Drain the pasta and reserve 1 cup of the cooking water.
- 3. Add the pasta back to the pot and place over low heat.
- 4. Add the Pecorino Romano and Parmigiano Reggiano cheeses, the ground pepper, and half of the pasta water.
- 5. Gently stir with a wooden spoon until the cheese is melted and the pasta is coated with a silky sauce. Add more water as needed. The sauce should cling tightly to the noodles and not pool in the bottom of the pot.
- 6. Divide among four warm bowls and drizzle with olive oil.
- 7. Garnish with additional grated cheese and freshly ground pepper to taste.

