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# National Pasta Day



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Pasta's origins are ancient. Contrary to popular belief however, Marco Polo did not discover pasta in Asia and bring it to Italy. In fact, in 1279 a.d., a will drafted by Ponzio Bastone was found bequeathing a storage bin of maccaroni when Marco Polo was still in the Far East.

Early Romans used a very simple flour and water dough. Pasta is the Italian word for dough.

Thomas Jefferson introduced pasta to the Americas after first tasting it in Naples, Italy. He was the American Ambassador to France at the time. In 1789, he brought the first pasta machine, along with crates of macaroni, back to the United States.

Pasta became a common North American food in the late 19th century with the surge in Italian immigration

Join us for the Pasta Lunch Special at your Bistro

