THE RED & THE BLACK

- 2 oz blanco tequila
- 1 oz lime juice
- 1 oz black pepper syrup
- 1-3 strawberries

Rim a chilled rocks glass with the pepper rim blend. In a shaker, thoroughly muddle the strawberries until they are a pulp. Add remaining ingredients. Fill with a medium scoop of ice, about 5-7 cubes (so it doesn't overflow in the glass). Shake for 6-8 seconds, and pour into the rocks glass.

Black Pepper Syrup

- 1 cup hot water
- 1 cups sugar
- 2 tablespoons freshly-ground black pepper

Combine all ingredients and stir until sugar dissolved. Let sit for 24 hours. Strain through fine mesh strainer. Refrigerate.

Pepper Rim Blend

3 tablespoons sugar1/2 tablespoon kosher salt1/2 tablespoon freshly-ground black pepper

Combine and stir in small bowl or shake in a tupperware container to thoroughly mix.

