

### Red Lear LETTUCE

I'm Lamar Lettuce and I am in
the Red Leaf circle. As my
name suggests, I have large,
open leaves and my color is a reddishpurple. The most popular lettuce varieties
grow in tight balls called "heads." Some of my
cousins grow in water, that's called hydroponics.
My close lettuce relatives include romaine,
green and butter. We are harvested by cutting
the short stem underneath our leafy mass.
We are fat-free and offer more nutrients
than green lettuce, like more of vitamins A and K.
also add flavor, texture and nutrition to many



One of the world's most popular salad vegetables, lettuce comes in many shapes, sizes and colors. It is usually served cold and fresh although some cultures will cook or steam lettuce.



## MAZE

Find your way to the red leaf lettuce



Did you know lettuce is a member of the sunflower family?



different recipes.

RED LEAF LETTUCE
GROWING REGIONS



- 2. North Texas
- 3. East Texas
- 4. Central Texas
- 5. Trans Pecos
- 6. Winter Garden
- 7. Coastal Blend
- 8. Rio Grande Valley



# Joke of the MONTH

Knock Knock!

Who's there?

Lettuce.

Lettuce who?

Lettuce in, we're freezing.



Tuna Apple Salad

### **INGREDIENTS**

1 apple (such as Fuji or Pink Lady
Washington) • 1 can 12-oz chunk light
tuna (drained) • 2 tablespoons low-fat
plain yogurt • 2 tablespoons reducedfat mayonnaise • ½ cup raisins (or
chopped figs) • ¼ cup chopped walnuts

- 1/8 teaspoon ground black pepper
- 2 tablespoons chopped fresh parsley
- (optional) ½ teaspoon curry powder

(optional) • 8 leaves lettuce (Bibb,

Romaine, green, or red leaf) • 8 slices whole-grain bread

#### **PREPARATION**

1. Cut apple in quarters; remove core and chop. 2. In a medium-sized bowl, mix all salad ingredients, except tuna. 3. Gently fold in tuna. 4. Make sandwiches, using lettuce and wholegrain bread (toasted, if desired), and fill with tuna apple salad.

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