

Red Leaf LTETTTU

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 different recipes.

Fùn FACT

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

Joke of the

MONTH

Knock Knock!

Who's there?

Lettuce who?

we're freezing.

Lettuce in.

Lettuce.

Launch PAI **RED LEAF LETTUCE GROWING REGIONS**

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

whole-grain bread



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.

Find your way to the red leaf lettuce



Tuna Appie Salad SANDWICH

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 • 1/2 cup raisins (or chopped figs) • 1/4 cup chopped walnuts • ¹/₈ teaspoon ground black pepper • 2 tablespoons chopped fresh parsley (optional) • ¹/₂ teaspoon curry powder (optional) • 8 leaves lettuce (Bibb, Romaine, green, or red leaf) • 8 slices

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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