

RESULTS OF: Leaf Lettuce Trial Evaluation 2013 Number of Trial Results Submitted: 12	Salad Bowl	Oaky Red Splash	Green Deer Tongue	New Red Fire
Germination: Average percent	95	84	10	90
Date of 1st harvest	Middle	Earliest	Last	Middle
1 st harvest yield (Ounces) - Average	2	2	3	1.4
Date of 2 nd harvest	Second	First	Last	Third
2 nd harvest yield (Ounces) - Average	1.9	2	3	1.5
Number of harvests	3.2	3.1	2.6	3.5
Bolt Date	Second	Last	First	Last
Yearly Yield : Average rating 1 = heavy , 2 = acceptable , 3 = not acceptable	1.73	1.64	2.6	1.5
Flavor: Average rating (1=good, 2=acceptable, 3=not acceptable)	1.36	1.64	1.3	1.36
Describe flavor	Crisp sweet tender; SWEET; Mellow; Mild; Second bitter; Good, fresh; Mild, not much taste; mild slightly fruity	Bitter. Crisp nice color; Ok; Great; Mild; Plain, ok; Ok; Thin, slight bitter; mild slight bitter	Sweet, tender; Ok; Ok; Stronger; Stronger/tough er; Better when mature; slightly bitter; Stiff,nutty; mild;	Crisp, sweet, nice color; Sweet; Sweet; Stronger; Good; Good, slightly nutty; Slight bitter; strong slight pepper
Diseases: None significant on any variety 1= none, 2 = some, 3 = heavy infection				

Insects: None reported 1 = none, 2 = some, 3 = heavy infestation				
Would you purchase this variety again?	89% Yes	44% Yes	44% Yes	91% Yes
Please rank from 1 = best to 4 = least				
Comments: (include insects identified, other growing problems)				Beautiful; Still going at end of season – good; Not bolted even in heat by late august;

Summary:

All varieties were acceptable. Green Deer Tongue had poor germination. There were no disease or insect problems. The growing season was hot and dry.

New Red Fire was liked by all and over 90% would plant it again. It had a high germination rate and produced very high yields early and produced the longest, even through the heat of summer. Flavor was excellent, described as sweet, nutty, moderately strong and perhaps a slight peppery flavor.

Salad Bowl was well liked and almost 90% would plant it again. It had a high germination rate and produced high yields early and into summer. Flavor was very good, described as mild, mellow and sweet.

Oaky Red Splash was acceptable and 40% would plant it again. It had a high germination rate and produced moderate yields. Flavor was described mostly as “ok”, or plain, mild with several indicating slight bitterness.

Green Deer Tongue would be planted again by only 30%. It had very poor germination rates and low yields. Flavor was acceptable, noted as stronger than other varieties, with indications that leaves were tougher or stiffer.