



# NEWSLETTER

## Radish Salad

*Picado de Rabano*



One of our JCCC subscribers (thanks, Anabella!) described a simple radish “sauce” made in Guatemala that sounded delicious. While I found a radish salsa recipe on the web, it used tomatoes, and the Picado de Rábano recipes I found sounded more like what she described. Here is a simple one from [Food in Every Country](#).

Ingredients:

½ pound radishes (about 20)

12 fresh mint leaves, finely chopped

Salt, to taste

¼ cup of a mix containing ⅔ orange juice and ⅓ lemon juice

Procedure:

Trim the ends and slice the radishes.

Combine sliced radishes with mint leaves, salt, and orange and lemon juice mix in a bowl and serve as a salad.

### What’s Coming Up

After all that rain in May, things have actually dried up enough that irrigation has been needed in some cases, especially with new crops. We’re setting out the last of the tomatoes and peppers, planting beans, cucumbers, corn, and squash. Meanwhile, the weeds are growin’ and the farmers are hoein’!

Early June is a transitional time in the garden. The early spring greens are continuing with their last harvests before the heat kicks in, while some of the early summer veggies are starting in. Here is what we usually have this season:

asparagus, beets, bok choy, broccoli, carrots, fresh garlic, garlic scapes, green onions, greens, herbs, kohlrabi, lettuce, mushrooms, new potatoes, peas, radishes, raspberries, rhubarb, salad mix, snap peas, snow peas, spinach, strawberries, turnips.



Garlic scape, flowering stalk of garlic plant

### IS ROLLING PRAIRIE PRODUCE ALL ORGANIC? (GROWING STANDARDS PART 3)

When eight growers formed Rolling Prairie Farmers Alliance back in 1994, all of us were organic farmers. By 1996, all of us were *certified organic*. Certification required verification by a third party that the farmers were following generally accepted organic farming practices.



Since then, the organic farming industry has been in a state of continuous change. This transformation has been speeded up, but not caused, by the National Organic Program of the USDA. In October, 2002, the USDA organic rules went into effect. The changes are quite complex and difficult to explain; we will do so briefly next week.