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Bibb lettuce is a variety of butter lettuce which was named after its original cultivator, Lt. John B. Bibb. Lt. Bibb developed his lettuce by adapting Boston lettuce to the limestone rich soil of Kentucky in 1865. Bibb lettuce is also sometimes known as limestone lettuce or Boston Bibb lettuce. Bibb lettuce began to be grown commercially within the United States in the early 1900s. It's smaller, and greener, than Boston lettuce, producing a plant with a loose head of rounded, tender leaves. Butter lettuces, such as Boston lettuce and Bibb lettuce, are named so for the soft texture of their leaves, rather than for their flavor. However, that does not mean Bibb lettuce does not taste great. In fact, Bibb lettuce is known for having a mild, but sweet, flavor!

Summer Bibb is a variety of Bibb lettuce which was developed by Cornell University in 1976. This variety of lettuce is resistant to heat and may be grown in warmer climates and during the summer. It is also known for its vibrant green coloring and excellent flavor!

Craft: Seed Tape

What you'll need:

- Newspaper, cut into 2" strips
- Seeds
- Scissors, Ruler, Marker
- Bowl and spoon
- Paintbrush
- 1 tbsp All-purpose flour
- 2 tbsp Water
- Paper clips
- Label the end of your strip with the seed type and plant depth instructions.
- Mix flour and water together in your bowl. You want to get a consistency similar to regular glue. Add more flour or water as needed.
- Using a ruler and marker, measure how far apart your seeds should be planted (check your seed packet for information) and mark out the intervals on the newspaper.
- Put some glue onto each mark you just made with a brush. The glue should be thin enough to see the marks you made.
- Add a seed to each mark. Let dry completely (~24 hours).
- When dry, roll up the strips (with plant information facing out) and clip with a paperclip. Store in a cool, dark place until ready to plant. Unroll and plant!



Summer Bibb Lettuce



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Summer Bibb lettuce is a delicious and crisp easy-to-grow lettuce that can be grown in warmer temperatures than other types because it is slower to bolt. This heirloom variety has crisp green leaves that make great salads and wraps.

Seed Package Instructions:

Culture: Choose a location with part shade to protect them from heat. Sow seeds in rich well-drained soil about 1/8" deep and 6-8" apart. Lettuce seeds need light to germinate. Reseed every few weeks for continuous harvest.

Water: Provide consistent moisture but do not let soil get soggy.

Harvest: Bibb lettuce grows in loose heads of light green leaves that reach maturity in 43 days. Cut off at ground level to harvest the entire head, or for continual supply, harvest outer leaves about 2" above ground, leaving at least half of the leaves.

Culinary tips: Harvest when young and crisp for best flavor. Bibb lettuce is usually prepared fresh but this variety can stand up to light stir fry.

PLANTING LOG

PLANT NAME _____

LATIN NAME _____

EXPECTED DAYS TO GERMINATION _____

EXPECTED DAYS TO MATURITY _____

Location of Planting:	Watering Log:
Date Seed Planted:	Date
Number of Seeds Planted:	
Germination Date:	
Date of First Harvest:	
Date of Last Harvest:	
Pests/Problems:	
Notes:	

Asian Chicken Lettuce Wraps

Yield: 6 Prep time: 10 min Cook Time: 20 min

Wrap Ingredients:

1 lb. ground chicken
 1 tbsp. olive oil
 ½ onion minced
 1 C. red or green pepper diced
 1 8oz can water chestnuts drained and minced
 4 butter or romaine lettuce leaves washed and separated
 Salt and pepper to taste
 Optional toppings: grated carrots, sesame seeds, green onion chopped, cilantro chopped, chopped peanuts.

Sauce Ingredients:

3 tbsp. soy sauce
 3 tbsp. hoisin sauce
 1 tbsp. sesame oil
 1 tbsp. rice wine vinegar
 1 tbsp. peanut butter
 1 tbsp. honey
 2 tsp sweet chili sauce
 ½ tsp. garlic powder
 ¼ tsp. ginger powder

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| 1. | Add all the sauce ingredients to a bowl, whisk to combine, set aside. Add a little water if peanut butter is too thick. |
| 2. | Heat olive oil in a pan over medium high heat. Add ground chicken and cook until browned, about 3 - 5 minutes, crumble the chicken as it cooks. |
| 3. | Add the onions and cook until translucent, about 5 minutes. Add the bell peppers and water chestnuts and until peppers are soft, about 5 minutes. |
| 4. | Add the sauce to the pan and mix with chicken and vegetables. Simmer for a few minutes and serve.

Serve in lettuce leaves. Add optional toppings |

