

# Scallions



# Scallion Facts

- Scallions, also known as green onions, spring onions and salad onions, are vegetables of various *Alium* onion species.
- A scallion is made up of a white base that has not fully developed into a bulb and long green stalks that resemble chives.
- Scallions have a milder taste than most onions.
- They can be cooked or used raw in salads, salsas and many Asian, Southeast Asian and Latin recipes.
- The white part of a scallion has more flavor than the green part.
- The defining characteristic of scallions is that they lack a fully developed bulb.
- Scallions are buried underground so that a portion of the stalk under the soil remains white.
- During the Passover meal (Seder), Persian Jews whack each other with scallions before singing the song *Dayenu*, symbolizing the whips endured by the Israelites under the ancient Egyptians.
- Although sold all year long, scallions are at their peak in the spring and summer months.

