

Pictures related to forcing chicories at Waxwing Farm, Webster, MN



Beds of chicories in the field. Belgian endive, center, tardivo radicchio, right



Transplanted endive roots (top) vs. direct seeded roots (bottom)



Endive roots trimmed and ready for storage



Proper trimming of endive greens is important. The top root will produce a nice chicon, the bottom one has been trimmed too close to the root and will not produce marketable chicons.



The forcing chamber ready for roots. Notice the large metal trays of water. Each level holds 4 bulb crates.



Tardivo radicchio from the field (left) and ready for the bulb crate

(left)



Tardivo radicchio roots ready for the forcing chamber.



A bulb crate of endive roots loaded in the forcing chamber.



Endive chicons nearing harvest time.



Endive chicons ready for harvest.



Cleaned, trimmed endive chicons ready for sale.



Tardivo radicchio ready for harvest.



Cleaned, trimmed tardivo radicchio ready for sale.