\*Called the stinking rose for nearly a century, a French writer and physician, Henri Leclerc, in 1918 roughly translated garlic's ancient Greek name, scorodon, to skaion rodon, and then to rose puante, or stinking rose.

# Garlic!

The Stinking Rose\*

## **History and Current Events**

- Human consumption for over 7000 years
- First used in middle Asia
- Used as a "pharmacy"
  - Russian penicillin (respiratory)
  - Plague (Marseille) 1700s
  - Beirut-Cholera (1913), typhoid fever, diphtheria (1918)
  - Spanish flu
- Largest producer China (75-80%)
- Largest US producer California (80-90%)

#### **Benefits of Garlic**

- Antioxidative (inhibits oxidation)
- Hypocholesterolemic (lowers cholesterol)
- Antithrombotic (reduces blood clot formation)
- Antihypertensive (reduces high bp)
- Antibacterial
- Antifungal
- https://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/pmc/articles/P MC3249897/ (National Library of Medicine)

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Provides relief from acne and asthma

Beneficial in digestion

Useful for curing ear aches

Aids in treating eye infections



Helps cure hypertension

Reduces high cholesterol levels

Helps treat cough and cold

Gives relief from intestinal ailments

#### Some Uses for Garlic

- Culinary
- In the garden
  - Companion planting
  - Insect spray
- Repair glass
- As a glue
- Remove splinters
- Lifts mood
- Many, many, many more



## **Types of Garlic**

- Softneck
  - Most popular
  - Several cloves
  - Silverskin
    - Easy to grow
    - Strong flavor
    - Lasts nearly a year
  - Artichoke
    - Milder flavor
    - Fewer, larger cloves
    - 8 -10 months storage



## Types of Garlic (continued)

- Hardneck
  - Rocambole
    - Full-bodied, rich taste
    - 1 set of cloves
    - 6 months
  - Porcelain
    - 4 large cloves
    - 8 months
  - Purple stripe
    - Best baked
    - Bright purple streaks
    - o 6 months



## **Examples of Types**

- Roja Hardneck, Rocambole, strong, early
- Russian Red Hardneck, heirloom, damp soils, early
- Inchelium Softneck, medium
- Polish white Softneck, artichoke, mild
- Chesnok Red Hardneck, purplestripe, medium
- Northern White Hardneck, porcelain, strong
- Korean Red Hardneck, Asiatic, HOT
- Music Hardneck, porcelain, large cloves

#### Pests and diseases

- White rot (20 years)
- Basal rot (cosmetic) fungus
- Downy mildew
- Rust
- Onion thrips
- Mites
- Onion maggot
- Nematode



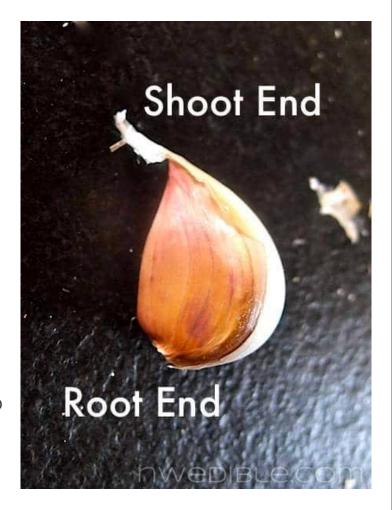
#### **Prevention**

- Buy clean stock
- Rotate, Rotate, Rotate!
- Manage onions
- Happy home
  - Don't overcrowd
  - Even watering (mornings)
  - Well drained soil
  - Weed, weed, weed



## **Growing Garlic**

- Time of year
  - Planting
  - Fertilizing
  - Watering
  - Harvesting
- Type of soil
  - Good drainage
  - Compost
  - Keep weeded
- Full sun
- 4 inches apart, tips 2 inches deep
- Store garlic
- Each clove is a bulb



## Harvesting Garlic

- Scapes
- Green garlic
- Time of year
- Stop watering
- Dry on screen out of sun (dry shed)
- Brush off dirt, trim roots
- Store in dry, cool area (50 degrees)
- Softneck stores longer than hardneck



## Tips with Garlic

- Chop 15 minutes before cooking
- Freeze when sprouting
- Roast = sweet
- Long and slow cook = soft, warm
- Fast cook = sharp, pungent
- Large chop or whole=mild
- Raw = real bite



## Places to Buy Garlic

- http://www.thegarlicstore.com/
- http://www.hoodrivergarlic.com/
- o <a href="https://www.mountainvalleygarlic.com">https://www.mountainvalleygarlic.com</a>
- http://www.gourmetgarlicgardens.com/
- http://www.territorialseed.com
- http://www.groworganic.com/
- Tsugawa Nursery (check local nurseries)
- Farmer's markets
- Local farms



# Thanks for Listening!

Any questions?