## ENSALADA DE NOPALITOS Y JICAMA

(Cactus and Jicama Salad)

## Ingredients:

2 tbsp oil

4 paddles of nopal cactus, cut into strips 1/2 inch wide

6 cups peeled and grated jicama

1/2 cup fresh lime juice

2 tsp salt

12 tbsp olive oil

6 tbsp red wine vinegar

1 tsp salt

1/2 tsp freshly ground pepper

ground chile pequin (optional)

4 cups watercress, stems removed and rinsed

4 avocados, peeled, pitted and cut into strips

6 tomatoes, cut into wedges

## Directions:

- Heat the oil in a skillet, add the cactus and sauté for 3 minutes. Cover and cook over low heat for 8 minutes or until crisp-tender. Set aside.
- 👫 In a bowl, combine the jicama, lime juice and salt. Set aside.
- \*Combine the oil, vinegar, salt and pepper. Stir well and correct the seasonings.
- ₹ To serve, place the jicama in the center of a platter, sprinkle lightly with chile pequin and arrange the watercress, avocados, and tomatoes around it. Place a circle of cactus strips around the edge of the platter. Pour the vinaigrette dressing over the salad and serve.