## Radicchio with Green Olives and Parmesan

## Ingredients

- 1 small head red radicchio
- 1 cup Castelvetrano olives, brine reserved
- 2 Tbsp extra-virgin olive oil
- 1 Tbsp aged balsamic vinegar
- 1 Tbsp honey (optional)
- About 2 oz Parmesan or Grana Padano
- Flaky salt and freshly ground black pepper

## **Preparation**

- 1. Core the radicchio and discard any browned outer leaves
- 2. Slice or tear the leaves into bite-sized pieces and put them in a large bowl
- 3. Pit the olives and cut each one in half lengthwise
- 4. Smash each lightly with the flat of a knife, to flatten
- 5. Toss the olives with the radicchio, massaging the leaves lightly with your hands
- 6. Whisk together the olive oil, balsamic vinegar, and 1 tablespoon olive brine
- 7. Taste for sweetness, and add a drizzle or more of honey, if desired
- 8. Toss the dressing with the radicchio
- 9. Use a vegetable peeler to create large, thick flakes of cheese and toss with the salad, along with salt and pepper, to taste
- 10. Serve within an hour, garnished with additional cheese, if desired

