



A humble vegetable steals the show in Castelfranco V.

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CASTELFRANCO VENETO — It begins with a legend. A noblewoman, travelling to Milan, replaces a wilted orchid in her buttonhole with a head of radicchio so strikingly beautiful that onlookers declare she wears a flower they could eat. Centuries later, that story still draws crowds each December to one of northern Italy's most quietly compelling walled cities.

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