



The Chayote: Its Culture and Uses (Classic Reprint) (Paperback)

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Forgotten Books, 2017. Paperback. Condition: New. Language: English . Brand New Book ***** Print on Demand *****. Excerpt from The Chayote: Its Culture and Uses Soil. - Chayotes grow best in a rich well-drained sandy loam, but will do well in any good garden soil and in well-drained muck soils. Planting. - Chayotes are usually planted in the spring as soon as danger from frost is past. In southern Florida it is possible to plant in the fall provided a thick loose mulch is applied in frosty and freezing weather to protect the tender young plants.

Preparatory to planting the chayotes, the ground should be dug or plowed deep and should be especially well worked where the fruits are to be planted. The entire fruits are planted, one in a hill, in rows about 12 feet apart. In order that the roots in large plantings may have as large an area as possible, it is advisable to plant in staggered rows. The chayote should not be planted deep. It is customary to place the fruit on its side with the broad end sloping slightly downward and the smaller or stem end left slightly exposed. If the seed to be planted...

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