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HOW TO PRODUCE AND SAVE YOUR OWN YARD LONG BEAN SEEDS



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Steps on extracting and saving Okra seeds

Step 1: Harvesting: Harvest disease and pest free pods when they turn yellow (do not wait for completely dry pods). This is to avoid any damage due to sudden rain.



Mature Yard long beans

Step 2: Drying the pods: Tie pods in bundle and hang for drying under the sun for a couple of days until pods change colour.



Pods tied in bundle and hanging for drying.



Pods ready for threshing

Step 3: Threshing & Drying: Thresh seeds by gently opening pods to avoid seed damage and collect seeds into a small tray or container.



Pods opened to collect seeds

Step 4: Drying & Storage: Dry seeds under partial sunlight for 2-3 days. Store seeds in airtight container, manila envelopes (for small quantities), cloth bags, plastic containers, metal containers, foil envelopes or any other suitable container. Store seeds under cool and dry conditions in order to maintain seed viability.



Seeds stored in airtight containers