



Dragonfruit

Choose a sunny spot and boost the soil with compost, manure and pelleted fertiliser. A dose of lime can also be beneficial.

Plant against a thick stake and tie one or two main stems to the support to encourage vertical straight growth. Trim away any side shoots. Once the stems have reached the desired height, cut off their ends to encourage new branching shoots.

Fertilise every 2-3 weeks and each Spring reapply lime, compost, manure and fertiliser pellets.

Periodically remove some of the longer shoots to allow space for new growth to develop.

Fruit will not continue to ripen once picked so check for fruit that is bright and even all over and the small 'wings' are starting to wither. The skin is not edible.

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