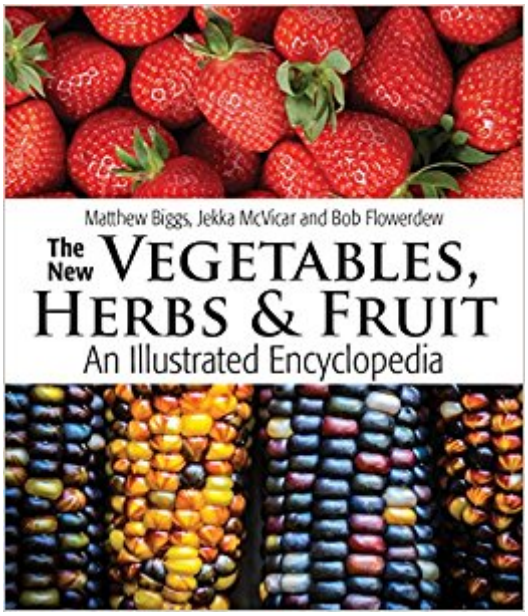
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# The New Vegetables, Herbs And Fruit: An Illustrated Encyclopedia




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