

ORIGIN OF RHUBARB



Culinary &
medicinal types of
rhubarb



Rhubarb from the Volga River area was introduced to Europe by Italian botanist Prosper Alpinus in 1608 as a substitute for Chinese Rhubarb.

It's use as a food product gradually spread through Germany, France and England, then to the Americas.

Medicinal types
of rhubarb



Rhubarb has been one of the most widely used herbs in Chinese medicine.

Rhubarb roots are harvested and dried for later use. It made it's way to Europe through historically known trade channels.

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