





#### SURPRISED? YOU SHOULDN'T BE.

Quinoa, like avocado, is notand never has been-an exclusively vegan food.

**Even if you don't follow a vegan diet, you've likely enjoyed it** in salads, exotic dishes, or cereal and legume mixes from the supermarket.

SO WHY ARE VEGANS BEING BLAMED FOR ITS LACK OF SUSTAINABILITY?



Just because an ingredient appears in some vegan dishes—just like avocado, tahini, or agar-agar—doesn't mean it's exclusively vegan.

#### IT'S LIKE SAYING SPAGHETTI IS ONLY FOR OMNIVORES BECAUSE IT'S SERVED WITH A MEAT SAUCE.





When people hear that **the surge in quinoa consumption has led farmers to use machinery** previously set up for other crops, **resulting in water and energy waste**, or that growing quinoa **requires more pesticides than other crops**,

VEGANS SUDDENLY GET BLAMED FOR DAMAGING THE PLANET—AS IF THEY'RE EATING QUINOA ALL DAY, EVERY DAY.





## SO WHAT?

YES, WE SHOULD CRITICISE UNSUSTAINABLE PRACTICES IN FOOD PRODUCTION, BUT LET'S DO IT REASONABLY WITHOUT TARGETING SPECIFIC GROUPS.

If we're going to be outraged about quinoa, then let's also be outraged about Parmesan, meat, and all those other so-called delicacies that we conveniently ignore.



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