

ARE MARIGOLD FLOWERS

FROM MEXICO OR GUATEMALA, ?
OR FROM FRANCE, OR FROM AFRICA?





Some of my relatives, *Tagetes patula*, are called **FLOR DE MUERTO** (Flowers of the Dead).

Because they are used to decorate burial locations the first two days of November.

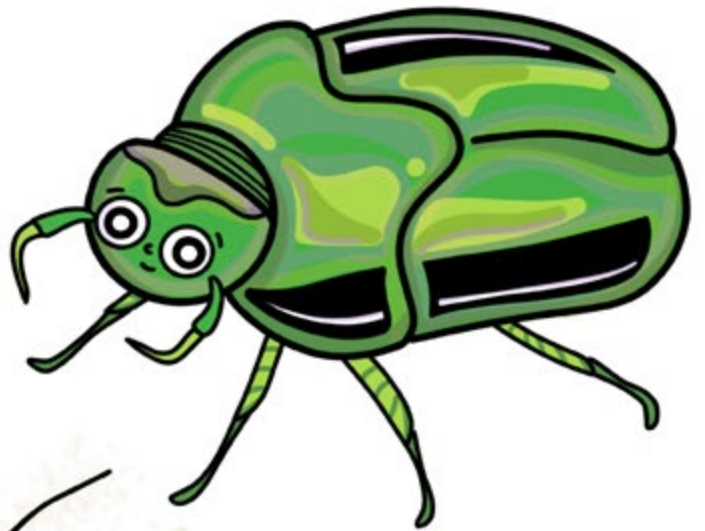
Tagetes patula is also known as French Marigold, but is native to Guatemala, Mexico, etc.

I am also called African marigold, but I am from Aztec and Mayan areas, not Africa.



Some species of marigolds of Guatemala and Mexico are pollinated by BUTTERFLIES.

Or by BEETLES.



At least three species of marigold are part of the Aztec and Maya diet for thousands of years (and also used by the Mixtec, Zapotec and other cultures of Mesoamerica).



MARIGOLD

FLOR DE MUERTO



PERICÓN

