



Colombia Selections

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Tolima is the central part of the Colombian Andes. The cooperative has 2.183 coffee growers and produce an estimated 100,000 bags of coffee. 23% of the coffee growers are women.



PRODUCER

Various Smallholders



LOCATION





DEPARTMENT



VARIETALS









CATURRA

COLOMBIA

TYPICA

CASTILLO





HARVEST

SEPT-DEC



PROCESSING METHOD

FULLY WASHED



CHARACTERISTICS

BRIGHT, CHERRY, BLACKBERRY AND MANGO, ALONG WITH A SYRUPY MOUTH FEEL AND PLEASANT, LINGERING FINISH.







Cauca is located in Southern Colombia where coffee is grown in fertile, volcanic soil. The Cordillera de Occidental, Central and Oriental (mountain ranges) offer unique climatic conditions favourable for high quality coffee, with more than 94,000 families growing coffee. This blend was selected from farmers in 17 municipalities.



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HARVEST

MAR-JUN



PROCESSING METHOD

WASHED, SUN-DRIED



CHARACTERISTICS

MEDIUM-BODIED WITH BALANCED ACIDITY, SUBTLE BERRY NOTES, AND RICH AROMA. THE POPAYAN EXPRESSES ITSELF AS LUSH FRUIT IN A SWEETLY-TONED BODY AND EXEMPLIFIES THE CLASSIC CUP.



Cauca Sugarcane Decaf

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To begin, fermented molasses derived from sugar cane is used to make ethanol. The alcohol ethanol is mixed with a natural acetic acid, to create the solvent Ethyl Acetate (E.A.). The coffee beans are immersed in water, which increases the bean moisture content and releases caffeine from the structure and wash, which dissolves the caffeine. Finally, the beans are cleaned with water again, exposed to steam briefly to clean the inner portions of the bean, and then dried to the original moisture level. This process removes roughly 97% of the caffeine content.



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CHARACTERISTICS

SWEET CHOCOLATE WITH A SLIGHT NUTTINESS AND AN INCREDIBLY SMOOTH CARAMEL FINISH.







Cauca is 100% mild Arabica coffee, mainly grown on small farms where it is selectively picked and processed, sticking to quality protocols and standards encouraged by the Colombian Coffee Growers Federation. Because of its location within Colombia and the particular characteristics of the Café de Cauca production area, this coffee has very particular sensorial and quality attributes in the cup.



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TECHNICAL



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PROCESSING METHOD

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CHARACTERISTICS

SWEET FLAVOUR, STRONG CARAMEL AROMA AND FRAGRANCE, WITH HIGH ACIDITY, MEDIUM BODY. OVERALL IMPRESSION IS BALANCED, CLEAN AND MILD WITH SOME SWEET, FLORAL NOTES.







Colombia is the third largest coffee growing country in the world. "Excelso" is a grading term for coffee exported from Colombia, not related to variety or cupping profile.

EP (European Preparation) specifies that the raw beans are all hand sorted to remove any defective beans and foreign material.



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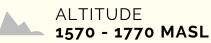
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CHARACTERISTICS

CITRUS FLAVOR, MEDIUM-BODIED, RICH ACIDITY WITH CLEAN, SWEET AFTERTASTE



Cauca Mujeres Women Coffee EP

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Located in the southwestern part of the country, facing the Pacific Ocean to the west, the Valle del Cauca Department to the north, Tolima Department to the northeast, Huila Department to the east, and Nariño Department to the south...



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Asociación Campesina Mano Amiga, Asociación Grupo De Mujeres La Esperanza Vereda San Isidro, Asociación De Caficultores Especiales De Corinto Cauca



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CHARACTERISTICS

CHOCOLATEY, CLEAN, WELL-BALANCED ACIDITY AND CITRUS AND MOLASES SWEETNESS



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Huila is a department in southern Colombia, spanned by the Andes mountains and home to towering Nevado del Huila volcano. It is located in the southwest of the country, and its capital is Neiva.



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Cooperativa Coagrobrisas LTDA



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CHARACTERISTICS

STRONG CARAMEL AROMA AND FRAGRANCE, WITH HIGH ACIDITY, MEDIUM BODY, BALANCED, CLEAN AND MILD OVERALL IMPRESSION WITH SOME SWEET AND FLORAL NOTES