



# Kenya KIMARATIA FCS AA

## CUP PROFILE

Our Kimaratio FCS microlot offers a heavy body, bright, lemon & lime acidity and flavors of black currant, black tea, molasses.

### ABOUT THIS COFFEE

Kimaratio Farmers' Cooperative Society (FCS) produced our Kimaratio AA microlot. Approximately 2200 small holders deliver coffee to the Kimaratio FCS which is comprised of three wet mills: Gachika; Gitare; and Gichuka Factories.

Kimaratio F.C.S Ltd was formed in 1997 after splitting from Kiamwangi FCS. Coffee was first planted in Gitare sub-location in 1964. The three wet mills of Kimaratio FCS Ltd were built by the defunct Kiamwangi coffee growers which was by then the giant co-operative in the area. Gachika Factory is the oldest (1966), followed by Gitare (1974) and the latest is Gichuka (1985).

The Society has 511 hectares under cultivation. It is managed by 7 board members: 2 elected in each wet mill and one is rotational among the 3 wet mills. After every 3 years, a supervisory board of 3 members checks the activities of the management committee. Both committees report to the coop members in annual general meetings. The coop has 10 permanent staff who are headed by a Secretary Manager.

Kiambu County is located in the Central highlands of Kenya in the former Central Province sharing its borders with five other counties; Nakuru and Kajiado to the West, Murang'a and Nyandarua to the North and Nairobi to the South.

### ABOUT KENYA

Coffee was first planted in Kenya at the end of the 19th century and was introduced to indigenous smallholders in the 1940s — and saw a fast expansion. Today, coffees vary from the complex citric acidity and berry flavors of coffees grown in the Mt. Kenya highlands, to the chocolaty, full-bodied coffees of the estate sector.

But all Kenya coffees travel through the Central Auction—a highly competitive and transparent marketplace that offers a large number of individual lots, each unique in grade cup profile, to a concentration of export buyers, like Genuine Origin's sister company, Taylor Winch.



**Region:**  
Kiambu County

**Producers:**  
Kimaratio Farmers' Cooperative Society

**Altitude:**  
1,500 - 1900 meters ASL

**Varieties:**  
SL 28, SL 34

**Harvest:**  
October – December '18

**Processing:**  
Washed, dried on raised beds