

# SIDAMA GRADE 4 NATURAL

ETHIOPIA GREEN COFFEE | GENUINE ORIGIN



## Coffee Details

### ORIGIN

Sidama zone, SNNPR,  
Ethiopia

### PRODUCER

Various smallholders

### PROCESSING

Natural

### HARVEST SCHEDULE

November - January

### VARIETY

Heirloom varieties

### ALTITUDE (MASL)

2100 - 2200

## Coffee Background

Sidama is a fertile region in southern Ethiopia that spans across the highlands of Lake Awasa in the Rift Valley. The high altitudes that soar beyond 2000 meters above sea level are where Arabica coffee trees grow and ripen slowly in the cool temperatures, resulting in complex flavor profiles and distinct aromas that are characteristic of Sidama green coffee.

The region is home to nearly 8 million people with distinct cultures and traditions among 36 districts that encompass over 50 coffee cooperatives and around 200 washing stations.

In Ethiopia, coffee is graded based on both its physical quality and cup profile, using a system from Grades 1 to 9, with Grades 1 and 2 representing the highest-quality specialty coffee. Physical grading assesses bean size, shape, color, and defects, while cup quality focuses on sensory attributes like aroma, flavor, acidity, and body.

Coffee is also classified by its region of origin, such as Sidama, Guji or Yirgacheffe. The unique terroir of these regions can strongly influence the coffee's flavor profile. Additionally, coffees are distinguished by processing methods (eg - washed and natural processes) which yield different cup characteristics.

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