MBEYA MWANGOKA FARM NATURAL

TANZANIAN GREEN COFFEE | GENUINE ORIGIN



Coffee Details

ORIGIN

Mbozi, Songwe, Tanzania

PRODUCER

GD Mwangoka Farm, Grivas D. Mwangoka

PROCESSING

Natural

HARVEST SCHEDULE

July - October

VARIETY

Bourbon, Compact

ALTITUDE (MASL)

1450-1850

Coffee Background

The Grivas family took up stewardship of GDM Farm over 20 years ago, and as the second generation to manage one of the few Tanzanian-owned coffee estates, Richard Grivas has his sights set on improving quality and the local community through the farm. Over 200 seasonal workers are part of GDM's operation, and the farm also supports a network of smallholders living in the surrounding vicinity.

Only around 5% of Tanzania's green coffee comes from large estates. GDM Farm spans 400 hectares at an altitude of 1980msl in the southern highlands near the Mbozi meteorite that was discovered in the 1930s.

Pickers at GDM Farm harvest ripe cherries on the estate and deliver them to the pulping unit and drying station on-site. The cherries are hand-sorted to separate perfectly ripe, overripe, and underripe fruits before they're set out to dry on raised beds. It can take up to 21 days to dry a harvest, depending on the weather, and the cherries are turned often to ensure even drying and good quality. GDM Farm also has a milling station on the estate, where the dried cherries go to be prepped for export.

