LOS ALTOS TZELTAL WASHED

MEXICO GREEN COFFEE | GENUINE ORIGIN

Coffee Details

ORIGIN
Los Altos, Chiapas, Mexico

PRODUCER
Various Smallholders

PROCESSING
Washed & Fully Sundried

HARVEST SCHEDULE
January - April

VARIETY
Caturra, Bourbon

ALTITUDE (MASL)
1600-1850

Coffee Background

The Tzeltal are one of the main indigenous Mayan people living in Mexico. Almost everyone in this highland region of Chiapas speaks Tzeltal as their first language, and they rule the area with their own customs and laws to preserve their traditions and culture. The community refers to themselves as Winik atel, "Working Men".

The vast valleys and hills of Chiapas are home to Los Altos, which lies at 1,600-1,850masl. Rich deposits of marble stone cover the ground in shady primary forests that border the Lacandona jungle. Coffee grows among native species, often organically by default,

In the 2010s, coffee leaf rust decimated coffee production in Central America. Due to Chiapas' proximity to Guatemala, it was one of the first regions to succumb to the fungal disease but also one of the first to bounce back. Today, Chiapas is leading the charge in innovation and investment to bring Mexico's coffee production back up to speed. As a result, the renowned region now produces high-quality unroasted coffee beans at even higher volumes than before.