

LAOS ESTATES

Natural, Semi-washed, Fully-washed,
Honey, Wet Hulled, Cascara



TYPICAL CUP PROFILE

Body



Acidity



SCA Score



Flavour: Distinct citrus, subtle floral notes, summer fruits and excellent balance.



Producer: Outspan Bolavens

Number of Estates: 4 (Mt. Thevada, Khoungtoun, Xekatam, Phetlamka)

Region: Bolavens Plateau

Terroir: High grown. Shaded. Rich volcanic soils

Employees: 110 permanent and over 1,000 seasonal staff

Cultivated Area: 1293 Ha

Certifications: UTZ, Rainforest Alliance

Altitude: 950 - 1,350 masl

Rainfall: 1,500 - 4,000mm pa

Primary Varietals: SJ-133 (CR95 Costa Rica), Catigua, TN01, Obata

Specialty Varietals: Java, Typica, Bourbon, Geisha

Processing: Natural, Semi-Washed, Fully Washed, Honey, Wet Hulled, Cascara

Harvest Period: October - December

Key Products

NAGA: Top fully washed, high quality cherry selection, strictly sun-dried. 83-85pt cup.



SIHO: Mandheling style wet hull process with controlled 16 hour fermentation. 83-84pt cup, Up to 40 boxes per season.



SUPER: Fully washed, 82pts Cup, medium body and acidity. Up to 75 boxes per season.



FAI MAI: Anaerobic fermented naturals. Up to 48 hours in anaerobic conditions. Intense and complex fruity notes. 85-86pts.



Laos is part of the International Multi-location Variety Trial, which is led by **World Coffee Research** (WCR). In the project, 35 Varieties of coffee are collected from around the world and then planted in over 60 test plots in 23 countries. This will result in widespread production and quality increases in as little as 5 years, and contribute to more sustainable farmer livelihoods and a stronger coffee sector. Find out more at:

<https://worldcoffeeresearch.org/work/internationalmultilocation-variety-trial/>

The Region

The Bolavens Plateau in South Laos is the most favourable region for coffee cultivation in the country. The region boasts high elevations (up to 1,350masl), rich volcanic soils, and a moderate climate with plentiful sunshine, rainfall and a low risk of frost. The gentle slopes of the plateau negate many of the farming challenges posed by more mountainous and varied terrain.

The economy in Laos is overwhelmingly dominated by agriculture, accounting for around 25% of GDP and 73% of the labour force. With 22% of the population also living below the poverty line, there is a continuing need for sustainable agricultural supply chains to which the specialty coffee industry can positively contribute.

Community Support

- Creche for workers children
- Out-grower farmer programs
- Dental camp in cooperation with doctors (1000+workers and people from surrounding communities treated each year)
- Working together with village communities for over 8 years

Partnership Opportunities

We are always seeking to collaborate on projects related to:

- Education
- Medical and Healthcare
- Gender Equality
- Out-Grower program
- Environmental
- Community Infrastructure