

**Region**

Chiapas

Producer

El Arroyon

Altitude

1,300-1,450 masl

Variety

Maragogype

Harvest Period

Dec - Mar

Classification

Screen 18 up

Processing

Washed



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MEXICO WASHED ARABICA MARAGOGYPE EP SUPERIOR 18UP

Coffee was first introduced to Mexico in the late 1700s. Today, the country grows the crop across 16 states, although most production is concentrated in the south. Chiapas, Oaxaca, and Veracruz are the major coffee regions in which a diverse variety of premium coffees is produced, ranging from lighter-bodied, delicate qualities to sweeter coffees with caramel or chocolate notes. These unique flavors are created by many different micro-climates with varied rainfall patterns and rich soils that exist across the country. Furthermore, Mexico is also one of the world's largest exporters of organic coffees.

This coffee was produced by El Arroyon, located in San Martin, Chiapas. Most communities in this area, including that of San Martin are indigenous people, with their ethnicities being mainly Katchikeles and Mochos. El Arroyon was founded back in 2003 with only four producers. Today, they have a total of 30 producers, half of which are women. Their coffee is grown under the shade of native trees such as Oyamel and others. In fact, the flora and fauna in the area are so rich, that it is quite normal to see wild animals such as whitetail deers and boars strolling across the coffee plantations.

This selection from el Arroyon is of the Maragogype variety, a natural mutation of Typica characterized by its larger sized beans. All coffees from el Arroyon are sun dried and de-pulped by each producer, who on average produces 10 to 12 quintales of coffee per hectare.