

**Region**

Chikmagalur Karnataka

Producer

Chinennahally Estate

Altitude

1,000 - 1,100 masl

Variety

S795

Harvest Period

Dec - March

Processing

Washed

INDIA WASHED ARABICA PLANTATION AA LITTLE FLOWER, CHINENNAHALLY ESTATE

sl. citric • round • hazelnut • sweet almond • sl. spicy

India is a country full of color: bowls of spices in brick-red and ochre shades in vivid market streets, turquoise water hitting golden beaches, and verdant volcanic mountains pervading picturesque flora. The state of Karnataka is shaped by the Western Ghats mountain range. It is home to one of the most incredible biodiversity hot spots in the world.

According to the legend, at the beginning of the 17th century, the saint Baba Budan stopped by at the seaport of Mokka in Yemen during his pilgrimage to Mecca. He found a coffee tree, wrapped seven of the grains in his turban, and smuggled them to India. Once he arrived, he planted the beans in his garden near evergreen, flowery mountains in the state of Karnataka - and so the birthplace of coffee in India had arisen.

The beautiful Chinennahally Estate is located on the outer slopes of the Bababudangiri range in the Chikmagalur district. This region is known for its high-quality Arabica coffee. The estate is a family business and has been with the family for the past 70 years. Many varieties of native trees are grown at the farm, adding to the flora of the region. The coffee is cultivated under two-tier shade trees to provide the best conditions for the cherries to develop excellent quality and taste. The farm offers free lodging to all plantation workers. There are also areas for social gatherings and relaxation after the hard work on the farm has been done. During the harvest season, the red and ripe coffee cherries are manually selected, de-pulped, fermented, washed, and finally, the parchment is dried in the sun.

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