



Cachoeirinha Farm

Grower: Lucelia and Lucimar

Region: Mantiqueira de Minas

Altitude: 1,050 MASL

Packaging: 30 Kg

Variety: Red Catuai, Catuai 2SL

Process: Natural and Washed

Harvest: May-September



Farm info



Lucélia and Lucimar are specialty coffee growers in Lambari, located in the region of Mantiqueira de Minas. Since Lucelia was a kid, she has been dealing with coffee. Every day, when she arrived from school, she used to help in the drying process of the coffee beans. Since she was 12, during vacations, she used to like to help her parents and some relatives in the harvest.

Lucelia lost her father when she was 15. Then, she and her mother started to work by themselves on the farm, with great dedication, even in the bad times. She got married when she was 20 years old and started to help her husband during the coffee's harvest. That was a hard time, with a lot of struggle. They used to go alone, too early (when the sun hadn't even risen yet), to pick the coffee beans, and returned only when the stars were in the sky. With lots of dedication and hardship they bought their farm: Cachoeirinha, which is the name of the district where it is located.

At the beginning, they weren't so focused on the quality of the beans, but on the quantity they could produce. After Lucelia entered Amecafé Mantiqueira, which is a coffee association, she started to study a lot and to do courses, in order to understand the whole potential of their plantation. Then, they started to separate their land regarding the variety, height, process and other characteristics.





Gradually, they started to increase the number of coffee trees and nowadays they have to hire people in order to be able to harvest everything. They manage each year to equip their farm and to increase the quality of the coffee beans. They bought a rotative dryer, a static dryer and a benefit machine. Also, they have bought a tractor, because the land is located on the mountains, with a very hard access.

Life working with coffee is more than just happiness. It is necessary to struggle with climatic challenges and also difficulties in marketing the product. Despite that, they move on ahead with their dreams and battles and seek to teach everything that they know to their daughter, so one day she can follow their steps on this coffee world.

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