

Aguilera Brothers Micromill - Finca Toño - F1 - Honey (GrainPro)



The Aguileras are a family of 12 brothers and sisters who are second-generation coffee producers in the West Valley. (*Hermanos* is used to describe mixed male and female siblings in Spanish, but literally translates to "brothers" in English.) Their father was one of the first coffee growers in the area, and planted his farm 70 years ago: Neighboring farmers warned him that coffee wouldn't grow there, but now the area is rich with coffee lands. His children, the Aguilera Brothers, work together to produce coffee: Most of the siblings own farmland, and they co-manage the micromill they installed eight years ago, which they built with the earnings from their fourth-place Cup of Excellence win in 2007.

At first their father was skeptical about the mill, but he has been pleased by the results: Before they had the mill, the family was selling its coffee to a local co-operative and did not have any connection with the roasters who bought the lots. "No one every visited before," says brother Erasmo, the general manager of the micromill. "Now we get feedback, and we hear who likes the coffee and how we can make it better." They have a nursery in which they are growing many different varieties, including Gesha and SL-28, as well as Bourbon and Villa Sarchi. They aim to grow "a balance of good-quality and rust-resistant varieties."

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Origin	Costa Rica
Region	Los Robles de Naranjo, West Valley
Farm	Finca Toño
Variety	F1 of an unspecified variety
Altitude	1450 masl
Proc. Method	Honey
Harvest Schedule	January– March



This lot is an F1 (an early generation) of a cultivar that is a breeding combining Sarchimor (Catimor + Villa Sarchi) and an heirloom Ethiopian variety.

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