

Nicaragua Coffee



Claudia Vanessa Rivera

La Virgen Farm
Jinotega



Nic La Virgen Estate Women's LIFT

In 2012, Claudia Vanessa Rivera founded La Virgen with her husband with a vision of bettering the environment and local community. Situated in the Las Nubes community of Jinotega in Northern Nicaragua, the 40-hectare farm grows top-tier coffee with sustainable practices that produce financial gains for not just their own estate, but for the employees and neighboring area as well.

Sitting at 1,270-meter altitude, in addition to Caturra and Catuai, they have small experimental microlots planted with java, pacamara, maracaturra, maragogype, and geisha varieties. They manage every aspect of production with their own wet and dry mill for microlots, and have extremely exacting standards for quality, inspecting and performing quality control at every point. This has helped them grow from producing only 53 bags their first year to now producing 575 bags per year.

We collaborated with Claudia Rivera and CISA (our sibling company in Nicaragua) to create a special estate lot of La Virgen specifically for Mercon Specialty. This creates the classic Nicaraguan flavor profile of bright acidity, clean, sweet coffee, with the exceptional quality we expect from a producer like La Virgen.



Notes: Clean, bright and sweet, orange and floral, cocoa



Region: Matagalpa



Process: Washed



Variety: Catuai, Caturra



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