

## **REI**Premium Sencha

This premium sencha hails from Chiran area, Kagoshima prefecture, the largest tea production area of Japan, and is one of the leading products of Shimono-en.

Harvested in April, it is a blend of no less than four cultivars: yutaka midori, yabukita, sae midori and asatsuyu. This very rare sencha should be brewed for about 60 seconds at 70°C to enjoy properly the power of its umami and its incredible sweetness.

Without any bitterness, the very fresh fragrance of this sencha and its pleasing and beautiful green color makes it a real jewel. You can still enjoy its quality and complexity after a second and third brews.

## TASTING NOTES





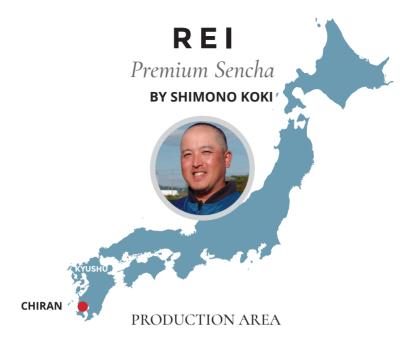


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CHIRAN



Thanks to its southern location, Chiran enjoys the earliest first tea picking of the country, with delicious "Shincha" (new tea) available already from March. Supported by a clement weather and the proximity of several active volcanoes, the tea grown in this area has a distinctive quality that is celebrated all throughout Japan.

Several cultivars that are very sensitive to cold can be grown successfully only in that area. In a general way Chiran Teas tend to be more sweet compared to other regions.

## RECOMMENDED PREPARATION



1. Put **6g** (0.21oz) of tea leaves for **2 cups of tea** in a teapot (with a filter mesh).





2. Bring water to a boil. Quantity for 2 teacups : **180ml** (6.08oz) of water



3. Pour the water in each cup and wait until temperature reaches **70°C** (158F).



4. Pour the water from the cups into the teapot, close the lid and allow the tea to brew for **60 seconds**. Do not stir.



5. Pour the tea slowly into the cups in alternance, a little at a time, until the last drop.

The last drop is the best...

Always prepare a minimum amount of two servings. A high-quality Sencha can be rebrewed 2-3 times. Re-brewing time should be only a few seconds.