

KAZUYA

Competition Organic Sencha

With its deep green color, the competition-grade organic sencha of Tsuru san comes from the first haverst of the year and also blends asatsuyu and yabukita together. Full-bodied, fragrant and packed with umami, it balances sweetness and bitterness in a perfect manner, and leaves a wonderful clear honey taste on your palate.

Tsuru san and his son look over their tea trees like dotting parents take care of their children. This patience and dedication is expressed in the way their teas reflect the beautiful nature in which they grow, where bees, wild flowers and a rich, nutrient-packed soil contribute to confer to the tea leaves a unique and distinctive touch.

TASTING NOTES







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PRODUCTION AREA

If you want to understand the history of green tea in Japan, Saga prefecture is where you should start. The town of Higashi Sefuri in Saga is the birthplace of Japanese green tea. This is where the monk Eisai planted the tea tree seeds he brought from China in the 12th century. A soil rich with minerals, clear spring water, morning mists and river fogs create ideal conditions for growing tea. Saga prefecture is also the birth place of the kamairicha specialty in Japan, introduced to this region in the early 16th century by potters from China who brought over the so-called Nanking-style kettle.

RECOMMENDED PREPARATION



1. Put **6g to 8g** (0.21 - 0.25oz) 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 **60°C** to **70°C** (140 - 158F).



- 4. Pour the water from the cups into the teapot, close the lid and allow the tea to brew for **2 minutes**. Do not stir
- 5. Pour the tea slowly into the cups, a little at a time, until the last drop.
- 6. For this tea, second brew time should be 1 minute.



The last drop is the best... Always prepare a minimum amount of two servings. A high-quality Sencha can be rebrewed 2-3 times.