



**South of
Minas Gerais**

BRAZIL

FAZENDA PALMITAL

Country	Brazil
Estate	Fezenda Palmital
Exporter	SMC- Specialty coffees
Varietal	Catuai and mundo novo
Owner	Carlos Augusto R. de Melo
Town	Cabo Verde
Region	South of Minas Gerais
Country	Brazil
Harvest	May to August
Process	Pulped Natural and Natural
Size of estate	200 coffee hectares
Annual production	6,500 bags
Altitude	950 - 1150 masl
Certification	UTZ certification





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Fazenda Palmital, in the mountains of the Serra So Pau S'Alho in the district of Cabo Verde, southern Minas Gerais, was purchased in the 1920s by Joaquim Sebastião de Souza, the current owner's grandfather. Over the years, Fazenda Palmital has built a tradition of producing top quality coffee in a sustainable way.

In 1950 the farm's management passed to Augusto de Melo Souza's Hands. In the 1970s his wife and son started to take care of the property and the family's offspring is getting ready to do it so ,as he's studying agriculture. Their dedication to the plantation and natural aptitude to it led the average annual production to rise from 2,00 to 6,500 bags of 60kg.

All workers have full legal benefits. The farm also provides employees and their families with free transportation to primary and secondary schools and medical care in Cabo Verde. Currently, 36 families live on the farm in houses equipped with running water, sanitation and electricity, as they should.

The temporary workers (around 150 people), during the peak of the harvest, stay in houses with good quality installation with a full range of services. The use of personal protection equipment is mandatory.

The farm preserves native vegetation and wildlife in over 150 acres of forest and protected areas where water springs, streams and rivers can be found.



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