

El Ingenio

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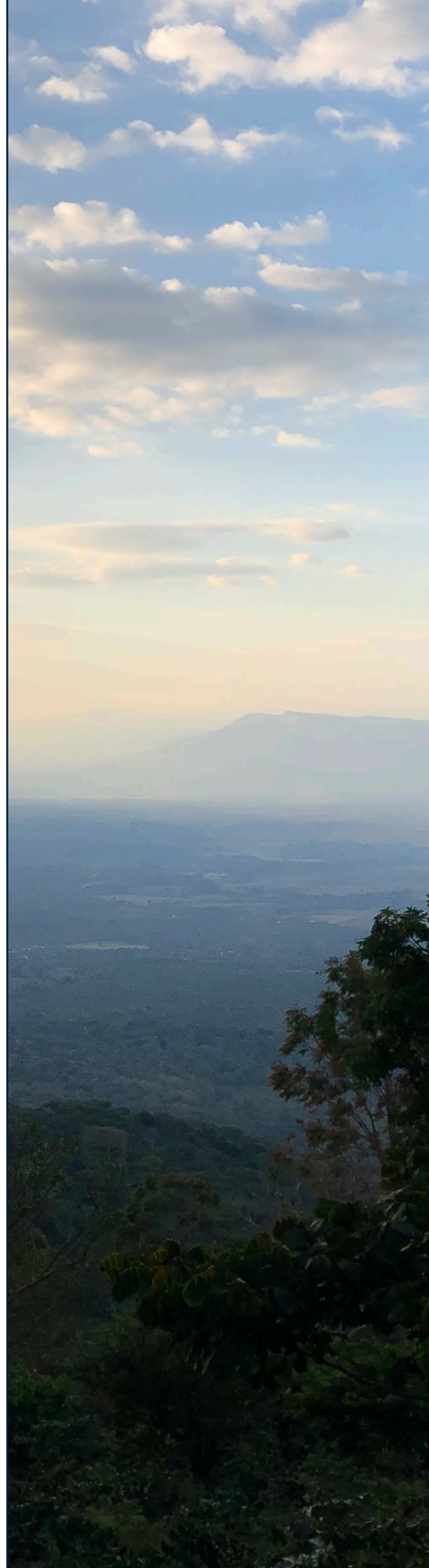


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Profile

Country	El Salvador
Department	Ahuachapán
Municipality	Atiquizaya
Farm	El Ingenio
Harvest	November - February
Altitude	1500 masl
Varieties	Bourbon
Process	Natural





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El Ingenio dates back to 1875 when Mr. Juan Urrutia planted the first coffee trees at high altitude in volcanic soil and the first crop of 27 bags was produced. As time passed the farm grew and the family worked hard to improve the quality year after year leading us to the present day with sixth-generation Enrique, Rene and Gustavo running the farm, with their father Gustavo still involved as an advisor, giving them the benefit of his experience. Over the years, they have placed in the finals for Cup of Excellence 7 times, as well as gaining accolades from trade bodies and national associations such as Exporter of the Year in 2015 and landing in the top 5 in 2017.

All the Urrutias Estate coffees are 100% shade grown and native trees are planted every year and to prevent erosion. The main trees which are grown are the izote and the copalchi which act as natural wind barriers. A UNESCO Biosphere Reserve, the farm is unsurprisingly Rainforest Alliance certified and is home to many resident and migratory birds. Specifically, they are home to 24 different species of mammals, 259 species of insects and over 120 species of migratory birds. In total, they have over 100 manzanas (approx. 170 acres) of natural forest, which is about 20-30% of the El Ingenio farm.

This microlot was hand-picked by the most experienced harvesters who work for Urrutis so that the cherries were at the perfect ripeness. They only choose the trees that are perfectly healthy and with enough sugar in the cherry for the honey process, which is measured as 24 brixs (sugar content is measured in degrees brix using a refractometer).

Just the Bourbon variety make up this lot, which reaches full maturity earlier than the Pacas and Pacamara varieties which are also grown on the farm. Bourbon was introduced to Brazil in 1860 and then rapidly spread north into other parts of South and Central America, it is known for its excellent cup quality but high susceptibility to disease.



**Brothers Enrique, Rene
and Gustavo**