# **Finca Medina**

Founded in 1842, Finca Medina sits on the outskirts of Antigua City, in the foothills of the Agua volcano. Covering 74 hectares, the farm is dedicated to using environmentally and socially sound practices.

### **Coffee Farming at Finca Medina**

Coffee trees at Finca Medina grow under shade with approximately 320 shade trees per hectare. The density of shade trees also helps reduce the growth of weeds. Trees are fertilized with composted cherry pulp and pests are controlled with traps and with other practices such as picking up fallen cherry after harvest time.

### Processing

Harvest runs from November to April. Cherry is handpicked while a Brix scale analysis is used to determine optimal maturation point for cherries. The same day that cherries are harvested, they are pulped and fermented. After fermentation, they are cleaned and traditional washing and density sorting practices are used to classify and separate the best beans. The beans are then dried on a patio in direct sunlight. Throughout the drying process, the beans are turned with wooden paddles to ensure even drying.

## **Social Projects**

Finca Medina is involved in a number of social projects to help enrich the lives of their workers. One of the programs includes education to workers on safety, hygiene and healthcare and environmental care. Finca Medina also offers scholarships for tuition and school supplies for employees and their children.

They offer an annual oral hygiene check-up for workers and family members. There are also opportunities for community sports, housing for many of the workers and more.

#### Country



Quality

Genuine Antigua - washed SHB EP

### Farm/Washing station

Finca Medina

#### Variety

Bourbon, Caturra Pacas, Sarchimor, Marsellesa

#### Crop

2019

#### Comments

CPGT-3648: brown sugar, hazelnut, orange, milk chocolate | Score 84.5

#### Location

Antigua

#### Harvest & Processing

November - April

#### Milling & Shipping

May - June

#### Certificate

Rainforest Alliance

#### **Bag type**

69kg grainpro

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