



Haitian Cocoa « Kakawo Ayiti »

An outstanding speciality cocoa already on the market... being the next origin to be recognised as « fine and flavour » ?





Where? Who? What?

- Other side of Hispaniola island
- 10 millions inhabitants, size of Belgium
- French speaking country
- First black republic to become independant (1804)
- Strong cultural link to USA, Canada, France through its diaspora (2 millions people >> 1/5 of its people)



An historical origin of agricultural commodities

- Haiti considered as the « Pearl of the Antilles» by the french colons
- Producing 50% of world coffee in 1800
- First in quantity and finest origin for vetiver oil (key ingredient in perfumery)
- One the first country producing cocoa in the 1900's....20 000 tons produced in 1960's





Great potential: next booming « fine & flavour » origin?

- 4 500 tons exported (300 tons fermented certified Fair trade & organic)
- Presently 92% of cocoa non fermented (100% 6 yers ago)
- Territory free of main cocoa diseases
- Pool of varieties cultivated similar to Dominican Republic (Trinatario/Forastero > Native/Peyi > Criollo) present on all plots
- Cocoa 100% organic by default all over the country



A mean of sustainable development for an historical impoverished country

- Developing export is crucial to the weak economy of the country
- 2nd largest agricultual commodity exported (in value): 9 millions USD
- 20 000 family farming producers involved at production level
- Cacao cultivated in diversified agroforestal systems highly resilient to climate change

« Cocoa offers a lot of hope for Haitian farmers because there is much room for growth on the market »

Guito Gilot, Managing Director Feccano



Birth of Haïtian quality cocoa

- Knowledge about fermentation and capacities are steadily expanding:
 - FECCANO (North) started in 2009
 - CAUD (South) in 2012
 - PISA (North) in 2014
 - CACOMA (South) in 2015





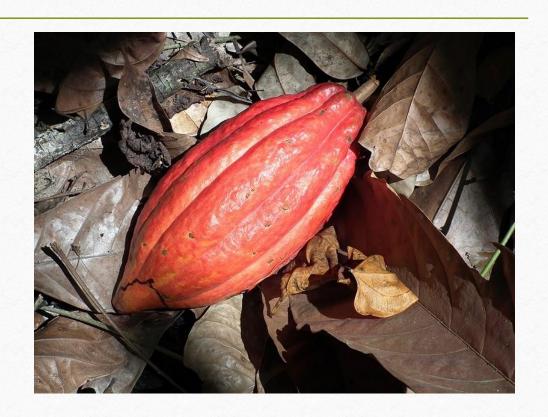
All key actors present

- <u>Producers organisations</u>: 1 federation (FECCANO, 7 cooperatives) and 6 operating coops (5 in South: CAUD, COPCOD, COAH, CAPI, CACOMA, 1 in North: COCANO)
- Chocolate makers: Chocomax, Askanya
- <u>Collectors/Exporters</u>: PISA, Geo-Wiener, Novella, Kaleos, SOGEPA, JL Industries
- Service provider/technical assistance: Ayitika



They have tasted...its fruity flavour

- Chocolat Bonnat (France)
- Ethiquable (France)
- Cocoanect (Netherlands)
- Barry Callebaut
- Taza (USA)
- Carré Suisse (Switzerland)







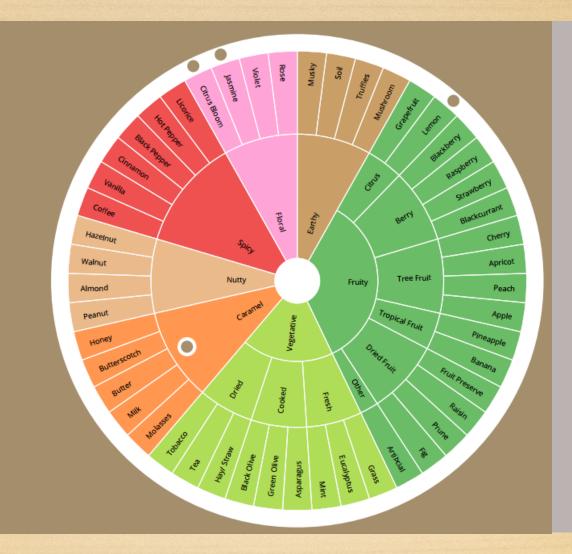
TASTE PROFILE

PISA beans are like a walk in the park in early springtime overjoyed by early flower blossoming whilst sipping your lemon drink. Floral notes lead the taste experience finished with a good presence of lemon at the end. The good amount of chocolate taste and wide range of fruity and floral notes makes it one of the richest beans out there!

CHOCOLATE: 000000

ACIDITY:

BITTERNESS: 00000





Taste profile











They spoke about it...

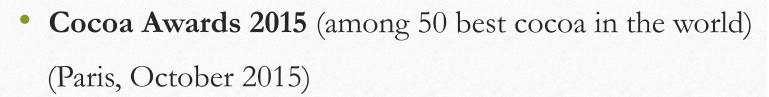
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- « Haïti: cacao équitable, bio...et bon! »
 Chocolat et Confiserie Magazine (Nov. 2013)





They awarded it...

• Gold Award as Best Unflavoured Drinking Chocolate (London, April 2015)









Haitian cocoa...



- **Is unique and novel...** surprising origin for cocoa, outstanding country in the Caribbean (people, language)
- Has an romance around it... « Pearl of the Antilles » with strong cultural and artistical identity, on the way to (re)become a touristical destination in the Caribbean
- With a particular story.... strong connexion of American and European people with Haïtian people (due to historical and humanitarian facts)
- ...is working hard to become consistent in term of quality and quantity in the long term



Thanks for your attention!



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