

## Maya Ixil | Washed

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CROP YEAR	2025
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PRODUCER (GROUP) Asociación Maya Ixil ICO# 11 43306 12

REGION Ixil Maya territory, Quiché TRACEABLE TO 14 Families
PARTNER SINCE 2017

PRODUCTION (BAGS) 20

ALTITUDE (MASL) 1400 - 1690 PRICING TRANSPARENCY (USD/LB)
CERTIFICATIONS USDA Organic "C" AT BOOKING \$2.945

VARIETALS

USDA Organic

"C" AT BOOKING

\$3.845

FOB PAYMENT OVER "C"

\$0.155

TASTING NOTES

Caramel, roasted nuts, plums, lime

FOB PAYMENT OVER "C" \$0.155

FOB PAID \$4.000

PROCESSING Washed QGRADE 85.00

## COMMUNITY CONTEXT

High in the Cuchumatanes mountains of Guatemala lies the remote village of Xecotz, home to a resilient women's cooperative producing some of the country's most ethically sourced coffee. Though coffee plants cannot thrive at the village's elevation—nearly 2,000 meters above sea level—the women farmers make daily treks down steep, forested slopes to tend to their lots nestled hundreds of meters below. These are not easy paths; they descend more than 500 meters over rugged terrain to reach their farms, harvesting by hand along cliffsides where footholds are branches and balance is critical. Their commitment to each stage of cultivation—harvest, fermentation, sun-drying, and transport by mule—reflects not only hard work but generational knowledge rooted in the land.

## COUNTRY CONTEXT

As members of the Mayan Mountain Coffee network, the Xecotz farmers operate within a framework of fair wages, organic practices, and regenerative agriculture. Backed by Mayacert certification and the strength of their cooperative, they've built something rare in this industry: stability. In 2025, that foundation was tested. A year of brutal weather slammed Guatemala and the global coffee belt—floods, erratic rains, and vanishing sun left entire farms gutted. But in Xecotz, the old ways paid off. Years of tending to resilient shade trees and keeping their soils alive through cover crops helped these farmers ride out the chaos. Yields were smaller, yes. But their plants endured. In a world teetering on the edge of agricultural collapse, that kind of resilience isn't just admirable—it's a blueprint for the future.