



# Colombia

## Finca Villa Loyola - Caturra

Direct Trade

Country..... Colombia  
Farm..... Finca Villa Loyola  
Varietal..... Caturra  
Altitude..... 1900 Meters  
Process..... Washed, Sun Dried

### Cupping Profile:

Acidity - 8  
Body - 9, Complex, Syrupy, Silky  
Flavor - 9, Apricot, Vanilla, Peach  
Aftertaste - 8.5, Sugar Cane  
Sweetness - 8.5, Gentle Citrus  
Roast - Medium  
PT's Score - 93

More than 100 years ago, high in the Andean Mountains of the Nariño region in Colombia, Manuel Delgado felt it in his heart to donate his farm to the church he loved so much. The farm, Finca Villa Loyola, was to be a respite for Catholic church leaders and students to rest and rejuvenate. But church leaders had a different idea, they were more interested in using the farm to help the surrounding community.

Finca Villa Loyola, initially intended for rest and relaxation, has turned into a work of pride producing one of the very best coffees in all of Colombia, winning First Place in the Cup of Excellence in 2008.

Since that victory, a different Padre has been placed in the community and coffee farming has become a bigger part of the farms activity. Padre Gerardo Arando recognized the good fortune the farm had several years earlier and called on a member of the church and local resident, Mauricio Rosero, to lead the efforts in continuing improvement at the farm.

Mauricio has been working closely with the Committee of Coffee Growers of Nariño to dramatically improve the farm and it's capacity to produce great coffee. As our newest Direct Trade Coffee, workers on the farm are seeing better wages and living conditions for the permanent and temporary workers. Seven hectares (or 17.3 acres) have been set aside, by the Environment Control Center of the Department of Nariño, for the cultivation of "Guadua" a species of plant similar to bamboo that can be used for tools by all of the farms and coffee growers in the region.



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