Premium & Specialty-Grade Brazilian Green Coffee – For High-Quality Roasting

1. Coffee Type

- Species: 100% Arabica
- Preferred Regions:
 - Cerrado Mineiro (traceable micro-lots)
 - Sul de Minas, Chapada de Minas, Mogiana, Espírito Santo (Arabica)
- Varieties: Yellow and Red Bourbon, Catuaí, Mundo Novo, Arara, Topázio, IPR, etc.
- Processing Methods:
 - o Natural
 - Pulped Natural
 - o Washed (less common in Brazil but accepted for select micro-lots)
- Fermentation styles (if applicable): Controlled anaerobic or carbonic maceration only if clean and well-documented

2. Quality Standards

- Screen Size: 17/18
- Grade: Specialty Grade SCA standard
- Cup Score:
 - o Premium: 83–84.99
 - Specialty: 85+
- Moisture Content: 10.0% 11.5%
- Defects:
 - o Zero Primary Defects
 - Max 5 secondary defects per 350g
- Cup Profile (varies by lot):
 - Sweet, clean, high clarity
 - o Notes: chocolate, caramel, stone fruits, citrus, red berries, florals
 - Medium to high body
 - o Balanced or complex acidity, depending on region

3. Traceability & Farm Info

- Full traceability required: farm name, altitude, region, variety, processing
- Prefer family farms or cooperatives with established QC protocols
- Altitude: ideally 900–1300m+

4. Packaging

- Vacuum-sealed or GrainPro inside jute bags
- Bag weight: 30 kg (preferred for microlots) or 60 kg
- Clean, moisture-proof bags for long-distance transport

5. Volumes & Delivery

- Micro-lots: 5–50 bags (for rotating seasonal offerings)
- Main Premium Line: 100-300 bags per shipment
- Annual Forecast: 3-4 containers of mixed specialty & premium coffees
- Shipping Terms: FOB Santos or Varginha, CIF Poti (preferred)

6. Required Documentation

- Certificate of Origin
- Phytosanitary Certificate
- Full cupping report from certified Q-grader
- Photos of farm, processing, and green coffee
- Moisture & water activity test
- Export documents: invoice, packing list, bill of lading

Other Notes

- Coffees should meet SCA specialty standards
- Cup quality must be clean, stable, and true to origin
- Price should reflect quality but be competitive for long-term partnership
- Cupping samples required before each shipment
- Preference for partners who can consolidate lots and manage small-volume microlots

Commercial-Grade Brazilian Green Coffee – For Mass Market Production

1. Coffee Type

- Species: Arabica
- Preferred Regions: Cerrado Mineiro, Sul de Minas, Mogiana
- Varieties: Catuaí, Mundo Novo, Bourbon, Icatú (mixed varieties acceptable)
- Processing Method: Natural (dry) standard for Brazil; Pulped Natural also accepted

2. Quality Standards

- Screen Size: 16/17 or 17/18
- Grade: Fine Cup (FC) or Good Cup (GC)
- Cup Score: 80–82 (SCA scale)
- Moisture Content: Max 12%
- Defects: Max 12 full defects per 300g
- Cup Profile:
 - Clean and balanced
 - Notes of chocolate, nuts, mild fruitiness
 - Medium body, low to medium acidity
 - No rioy, fermented, moldy, or phenolic taints

3. Packaging

- Jute bags with *GrainPro* liner preferred (optional for price flexibility)
- Bag Weight: 60 kg (Brazil standard)

4. Volumes & Delivery

- Trial Order: 1 container = ~320 bags (~19.2 MT)
- Annual Plan: 5–10 containers/year
- Use Case: Branded mass-market products, capsules, Horeca blends, private label
- Shipping Terms: CIF Poti, Georgia (or FOB Santos/Varginha optional)

5. Required Documentation

- Certificate of Origin
- Phytosanitary Certificate
- Commercial Invoice
- Packing List
- Bill of Lading
- Basic cupping/QC report with SCA score and defect count

Other Notes

- Must be from reliable cooperatives or exporters with experience in stable commercial quality
- Price-to-quality ratio is key not aiming for specialty, but consistent, clean, and pleasant cup
- Long-term sourcing relationship preferred
- Option for pre-shipment samples and regular container cupping

Low-Grade Brazilian Green Coffee – Internal Market / Secondary Grade (For Mass Production Use)

1. Coffee Type

- Species: Arabica
- Accepted Varieties: Mixed regional types Mundo Novo, Catuaí, Bourbon, etc.
- Processing Method: Natural (Dry) standard in Brazil; fermentation risk higher

2. Quality Standards

- Screen Size: Mixed; includes 13/14 and broken beans
- Grade: Rio Minas, Bica corrida, Descarte (industrial grade)
- Cup Score: Below 80 (typically 75–79), not suitable for specialty
- Moisture Content: Max 12.5%
- Defects:
 - Up to 30 defects per 300g accepted
 - o Includes blacks, sours, shells, partial ferment
- Cup Profile: Harsh, nutty, or woody. *Rioy taints tolerated* (iodine, medicinal, fermented notes). Acceptable for instant coffee or blending with higher grades.

3. Packaging

- Standard jute bags (no inner lining)
- Bag weight: 60 kg (Brazil standard)

4. Volumes & Delivery

- Initial Order: Minimum 1 container (≈ 320 bags x 60 kg = ~19.2 MT)
- Annual Plan: 10–15 containers/year
- Use Case: Instant coffee production, bulk Horeca blends, supermarket private label
- Shipping Terms: FOB Santos or Varginha (or CIF Poti, Georgia)
- Export Mode: Through cooperative or aggregator; non-certified exporters acceptable

5. Documentation (Minimal)

- Commercial invoice
- Packing list
- Basic quality report (optional)
- Photos of loading and coffee condition
- No Q-grader analysis required
- Certificate of Origin optional for low-cost contracts

Additional Notes

- Focus on volume and pricing, not flavor
- Consistent supply from Cerrado, Sul de Minas, or Mogiana regions preferred
- Blending ability and price stability are key purchase factors