VERVE



COFFEE ROASTERS

GUATEMALA SANTA CLARA

MILK CHOCOLATE • LEMONGRASS • BALANCED

PRODUCER RICARDO ZELAYA



REGION ANTIGUA



ELEVATION 1600 - 1850 METERS



PROCESSING WET-PROCESS



CULTIVAR Bourbon



HARVEST DECEMBER-APRIL



CUP CHARACTERISTICS:

Flavors of sweet milk chocolate are enhanced by a delicate lemongrass acidity making for a harmonious yet nuanced Antiguan.

SOURCING INFORMATION:

Seated at the base of Volcan Agua - one of Antigua's three active volcanoes - lies the glorious Finca Santa Clara. Upon entering the gates to the farm one is immediately met with rows and rows of coffee shrubs; ranging from Bourbon and Bourboncito (dwarf bourbon) to experimental varieties Ricardo and his daughter Katia have planted.

Upon harvesting, pickers deliver ripe cherries to Santa Clara's wet-mill, situated at the base of the farm, where coffee is pulped, soaked and dried on raised beds. After complete drying, coffee is delivered to the Bella Vista mill where it is dry-milled under the supervision of Ricardo's cousin Luis Pedro Zelaya Zamora.

The Zelaya family has owned and operated both finca Santa Clara and Bella Vista, as well as nearby Hacienda Carmona, for four generations. These three Antiguan staples will remain forever linked not only by ancestral ties, but by the impeccable quality that's at the core of what they do.