How is tea made?

True Tea, as opposed to Rooibos, Herbal Infusions, Mate and Fruit Blends, comes from a single plant, *Camellia Sinensis*. Like a fine wine, fine tea inherits subtle differences from the microclimate (soil, and weather) where the plant grows, from the care taken in growing the plant and from the expertise in crafting the final product. But if all true tea comes from the same plant, how do we get the different tea types?

Harvest Camellia Sinensis Leaves

- Steaming
- Steaming or Pan Frying
- Shaking: Bruise Leaf Edges
- Rolling
- Partial Oxidation
- Pan Frying or Drying
- Firing

Withering

- Rolling
- Full Oxidation
- Drying

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- White Tea
- Green Tea
- Oolong Tea
- Black Tea

Tea Menu

Ask your server about Featured Teas, Tastings and Suggestions

The Talking Teacup

All of our tea is loose tea of the finest grade, specially selected for its rich flavors and aromas. To provide you with the best pot of tea possible, we will steep your selection for the optimal time, removing the leaves prior to serving.

In addition to enjoying your tea today, all of our loose teas are available for purchase, with steeping directions, in our Gift Shoppe.
Undecided on which tea to enjoy today?

Try a Tea Tasting in lieu of a single pot of tea. Simply select three different teas / infusions (we’re happy to offer suggestions) and we’ll bring you a freshly steeped cup of each during the course of your meal. This is a tasty way to try new teas. Enjoy!

The Talking Teacup
Steeped in history
Warmed with Friendship
FRUIT BLENDS

Naturally caffeine free, these blends present a delicious alternative to regular iced teas or fruit drinks and are suggested for Children’s Tea. High in vitamin and essential minerals.

- **Cranberry**: Flavored fruit mélange with cranberries, apple bits and hibiscus
- **Yummy Berry**: A wonderful blend of fruits and berries. Makes for an excellent children’s tea.

OOLONG TEA

Exhibits qualities of both Black and Green Tea. Fragrant flavor with a fruity, sweet aroma. Good for skin, teeth, digestion and weight loss, enhances metabolism.

- **Fine Ti Kuan Yin**: Full bodied and smooth, carries the sought after sweet aroma and orchid-like flavor.

BLACK TEA

Helps to lower cholesterol and prevent tooth decay. Gentle stimulant, good for the heart. The flavors can range from flowery to fruity, nutty to spicy.

- **Assam**: Strong full flavored taste. Dark golden infusion.
- **Ceylon**: Highly aromatic, finely tart flavor. Amber colored infusion.
- **Darjeeling**: Fruit and nut characteristics with a delicate flowery aroma. Light yellow to copper-red color. Considered the “champagne of tea”.

DESSERT TEA

Delicious decadence to enjoy anytime without the calories and cares! A delightful after dinner drink or a perfect pick me up any time of the day.

- **Chocolate Cream**: Full-leaf black tea with cocoa bits and chocolate flavor
- **Chocolate Ginger**: Full bodied and naturally caffeine-free, this blend of chocolate and spices is delicious hot or cold.
- **Valentine Blend**: A romantic brew joining in harmony chocolate and rosebuds with fine china black tea.
- **Rooibos Chocolate Mint**: Rooibos with chocolate bits and peppermint leaves. A great after dinner drink or for anytime you crave a chocolate-mint treat!
- **Rooibos White Chocolate Toffee**: Decadent blend of Rooibos with toffee bits, white chocolate chips and cocoa.

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ДЕСЕРТНЫЙ ЧАЙ

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ORGANIC RASPBERRY: Flavorful fruit mélange with a raspberry taste. Hibiscus blossoms, apple bits, rose hip peel. Organically grown ingredients.

CRANBERRY: Flavored fruit mélange with cranberries, apple bits and hibiscus

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**BLEND TEA**

Strength and cup color of an Assum, the persistence of Ceylon and the flowery notes of Darjeeling. Shares the health properties of Black Tea.

- **English Breakfast**: A rich and flavorful blend of broken Ceylon and Assam teas.
- **Irish Breakfast**: A blend of broken Assam, Nilgiri and China blacks. The aroma reflects the heartiness of the Assam as well as the smoothness and slightly lemony taste of Nilgiri tea.
- **Smokey Russian Caravan**: Lapsang Souchong gives this blend its smoky character while fine China and Keemun teas round out its edges and add a fruity undertone.
- **Earl Grey de la Cre’mé**: A classic Earl Grey with a hint of vanilla and cream. Makes a wonderful aromatic cup with a captivating creamy flavor.
- **Earl Grey Royal**: An aromatic and visually beautiful blend of tippy China black teas with blue cornflowers.
- **Earl Grey Lavender**: A touch of lavender enhances this classic tea. Smooth, soothing and fragrant. Delightful!
- **Summer Breeze**: High-grown Ceylon teas blended with juniper berries, black currants, strawberry pieces, blackberry leaves, cranberries and red currants. Makes a fantastic iced tea.

**MATE**

Our most caffeinated, full flavored beverage and a perfect alternative for coffee drinkers. Popular weight reducer, natural hunger suppressant, cardiovascular aid and a mental and physical stimulant.

- **Mate Chino**: Blend of toasted Mate, cocoa, sunflower petals, almond bits, cactus flowers and cornflower blossoms. Heavenly chocolate taste.

**HONEYBUSH**

From the South African Cape area. Health benefits include stomach smoothing, anti-oxidant properties and a general calming, relaxing effect. Low in tannins and rich in vitamins and minerals. Naturally caffeine free.

- **Organic Honeybush**: Pleasant taste, mild and sweet with a distinctive honey character. Excellent hot or chilled.
HERBAL INFUSIONS

Beneficial blends of herbs in finely balanced compositions, refined with delicious fragrances. Naturally caffeine free, high in Vitamin C and antioxidants

- **Chamomile**: Finest Chamomile consisting only of the most flavorful flower heads
- **Lemon Verbena**: A full-bodied, aromatic infusion with a distinctive lemon fragrance. Popular European after dinner drink.
- **Peppermint**: Top quality cut-leaf peppermint provides a refreshing, spring like flavor.
- **Lavender Sunset**: A mild, soothing blend of lavender flowers, blackberry leaves, wild strawberry leaves, rose-hip peels, sunflower blossoms, rose flowers and salvia leaves
- **Flu Fighter**: A blend of healthy herbs to comfort the congested and soothe a tender tummy. Elder flowers, licorice root, fennel and cinnamon combine to battle congestion while calendula eases a fever. Echinacea to boost your immune system and lime blossoms to calm your stomach. The licorice, fennel and cinnamon bring a soft sweetness.
- **Memory Aid**: An energizing herbal to boost your brain power. Blended with Ginko, yerba mate, Siberian and Panac Ginsengs, and peppermint for their stimulating effect. Also includes schizandra berries to fight fatigue. Light bodied with a subtle peppermint taste and a soft woody character.
- **Hangover Helper**: A "mix" of licorice root, hawthorne berries and cinnamon bark to ease an upset stomach. Nettles to relieve a throbbing head, lapacho to cleanse, and mate to energize. This blend has a natural sweetness with a lingering zestiness.
- **Immunity Booster**: Rosehips, orange and lemon peels with the immune system enhancing properties of Echinacea. Cinnamon bark and ginger to aid digestion and improve circulation. A fruity taste much like that of a softer, less tart fruit blend with citrus notes. Refreshing and invigorating.

FLAVORED AND SCENTED TEA

Made by adding natural flavors, fruits and flowers to the tea and can be enjoyed hot or cold. Shares the health properties of the underlying type of tea.

- **Almond**: Full-leaf black tea blended with almond.
- **Apricot**: Full-leaf black tea with apricot pieces
- **Cinnamon Orange Spice**: A classic blend and a cool weather favorite. Full-leaf black tea with cinnamon, orange peels and flavoring.
- **Coconut**: Full-leaf black tea with the tropical taste of coconut
- **Sweet Cranberry**: Full-leaf black tea with cranberries and blackberry leaves.
- **Florence**: A beautiful blend of black tea, cocoa and hazelnut.
- **Peach**: Full-leaf black tea with peach and peach flowers.
- **Raspberry**: Full-leaf black tea with raspberry pieces and leaves.
- **Vanilla**: Full-leaf black tea with genuine Madagascar Bourbon vanilla and vanilla pieces.
- **Green Tea Moroccan Mint**: Fine China Green Gunpowder tea flavored with Spearmint.
**DECAFFEINATED TEA**

Shares the health properties of the underlying type of tea while also helping lower the chance of heart attack and stroke. Decaffeinated using the natural CO₂ high-pressure method to retain flavor and health benefits.

- **Chai:** Blend of full-leaf and broken-leaf India black teas flavored with ginger, cinnamon, and vanilla. Provides a slightly spicy-fruity medium-bodied taste and a light cup color.
- **Darjeeling:** High-grown bold-leaf Darjeeling blend, medium-bodied with fruity notes.
- **Earl Grey:** Full-leaf Ceylon and Nilgiri teas with a medium-bodied, citrus-like taste of the bergamot fruit.
- **Cinnamon Orange Spice:** Full-leaf blend of Ceylon and China black teas, naturally flavored with cinnamon, orange, spice and citrus peels.
- **Sencha Green:** A fine lovely Japanese tea with a pleasant, sweet taste. Also excellent when chilled.
- **Vanilla:** Full-leaf blend of Ceylon and China black teas, naturally flavored with vanilla pieces. Provides a rich and delicious flavor.
- **Sweet Lemon and Flowers:** Full-leaf blend of Ceylon and China black teas, naturally flavored with sweet lemon and citrus peels. Excellent chilled.

**ROOIBOS / “RED TEA”**

A naturally caffeine free herbal beverage rich in essential minerals and vitamins with a mild and aromatic flavor and a soft, slightly citric sweetness. Helps to improve digestion and is good for the skin and allergies. Reported to contain more antioxidants than Green Tea.

- **Pure Superior Grade:** A wonderful Rooibos with a mild flavor and a soft, citric sweetness. Low in tannins. Can be toughly enjoyed hot or cold.
- **Savannah:** Richly blended with cocoa pieces, almond bits and chocolate-rum flavoring.
- **Capetown:** Balanced with hibiscus blossoms, rose petals, blue mallow blossoms and sunflower petals.
- **Countryside:** Beautifully blended with almond pieces, apple pieces, cinnamon, rose hip peels and hibiscus flowers.
- **Caramel and Cream:** Blended with caramel bits and safflower blossoms, for a caramel-cream taste.
- **Lemon Chiffon:** A lovely touch of lemon grass and creamy lemon flavor.
- **Orange:** Refreshingly blended with orange blossoms and citrus peels.
- **Sweetheart:** Lovingly flavored with almonds and naturally colored sugar hearts with candied almond taste.
- **Green Rooibos Oasis:** Green Rooibos flavored with orange, strawberry, peach, sunflower blossoms and cornflowers. Also makes a delicious, refreshing, caffeine-free iced tea.