



## ARISTIDES GUARNIZO



### TARQUI IS A SMALL, YET PROGRESSIVE

town in southern Huila. It sits between the central and eastern Andes Mountain ranges, in the Magdalena River Valley. Fairfield Trading's facility, located in this valley, provides an ideal location for year-round harvest for growers near Tarqui, Huila.

Colombia boasts amazing and plentiful coffee farms. There is no limit to the potential of Colombia. This makes it a difficult place to choose and establish long-term partnerships. This year, we interviewed our importer and exporter to identify a partner we felt would fit with our green buying vision. This resulted in meeting the Guarnizo family. Further, we received an opportunity to learn more about how they approach farming and coffee processing.

Aristides and Yaved Guarnizo adopted the farming methods of Gustavo Ramirez Castaño. This approach incorporates a carefully managed anaerobic compost tea process. At first, I was skeptical. However, upon seeing the health of the farms and tasting the results, I became more interested. What was even more surprising was how good the compost tea smells. It has dried cherry bourbon and sweet vanilla smell to it.

This coffee comes from the farm of Aristides. He is an energetic and passionate farmer who loves what he does. He says, "This is the fruit of my labor, and it's made with lots of love every day. The effort we put into our work is great, and we do it each day because we hope you will fall in love with our coffee."



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 ABOVE: Aristides' farm, El Progreso, stretches along a mountainside near Tarqui.

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COUNTRY:	Colombia
REGION:	Tarqui, Huila
ALTITUDE:	1800 MASL
PROCESS:	Washed
HARVEST:	April - June 2019
VARIETY:	Castillo
SOURCING PARTNERS:	Aristides Guarnizo (farmer) Fairfield Trading (exporter) CCS (importer)

## SUGGESTED PARAMETERS

DRIP RATIO:	1 : 16.5
ESPRESSO RATIO:	1 : 2.25
WE TASTE:	berries, tropical, Champagne, lemon

BODY ● ● ●  
SWEET ● ● ●  
BRIGHT ● ●