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About the washing station

Kiamabara Washing Station is located in the town of Kabare, within the Gichugu division of Nyeri County, near Karatina. Together with Gatina, it forms part of the Mugaga Farmers' Cooperative Society. The station supports approximately 3,000 active smallholder members, each cultivating around half a hectare of land dedicated to coffee, alongside crops such as macadamia, beans, bananas, and maize. Situated at an altitude of approximately 1,900 meters above sea level, Kiamabara benefits from deep, fertile red volcanic soils and a temperate climate, with consistent temperatures ranging from 13°C to 24°C. The region receives an average annual rainfall of 1,150 mm, with long rains occurring from March to May and short rains between October and December.

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The Process



Once the coffee cherries are harvested, they are delivered to the Kiamabara Washing Station, where they undergo a traditional washed (wet) processing method.

Water is pumped into reservoir tanks and used for pulping, where the outer skin and pulp are removed. Once pulped, the coffee is fermented overnight to break down the mucilage, then washed and soaked.

It is then moved to raised drying beds, where it's turned regularly for uniform drying and airflow. This controlled drying process takes place under careful supervision to maintain quality and consistency. Once the parchment reaches target moisture levels, it's sorted and stored before moving to the dry mill for hulling and export preparation.



Sustainability

Affiliated members of the Kiamabara Washing Station manage all key agronomic practices throughout the coffee production cycle. This includes sourcing seeds from the Coffee Research Station, planting, pruning, weeding, spraying, applying fertilizer, and mulching. To support consistency and improve outcomes, technical guidance is provided through structured farmer training programs and field visits coordinated by the Ministry of Agriculture.

A dedicated field committee carries out regular farm inspections to ensure compliance with set agricultural standards. These visits focus on best practices and verify that coffee is not intercropped with incompatible crops like maize or beans. However, intercropping with macadamia trees is permitted, aligning with sustainability goals and long-term soil health.



Coffee Details

LOT ID	ATT250143
PLANT	Arabica
ALTITUDE	1900 m
VARIETAL	SL 28, Ruiru 11, Batian
PROCESS	Washed
SCREEN	AA
HARVEST YEAR	2025
TASTE PROFILE	Lemon, red berries, black tea, juicy mouthfeel, nuanced and sweet finish
SCA SCORE	87.75