

Cupping Results of 2010-2011 Taste of Harvest in Tokyo, JAPAN

Sample Info				Average Score
No.	Producer/Cooperative Name	Country	Sample Name, Area, Grade	
M-1	Universal Farming & Milling Ltd.	Malawi	Grade AA, Fair Trade, Utz	82.2
M-2	SABLE FARMING	Malawi	Grade AA, Kosher	79.3
M-3	Mzuzu Coffee Planters Cooperative	Malawi	Grade AA, Northern Region	83.9
M-4	Zoa Coffee	Malawi	Grade AB, Southern Region	80.0
M-5	SABLE FARMING	Malawi	Grade AB, Kosher	80.4
Z-1	Chisoba Farms	Zambia	Grade AAA	82.4
Z-2	Kapinga Enterprises	Zambia	SL28 Grade AA	80.0
B-1	Webcor / Gahahe	Burundi	Kayanza, Lot 6	82.8
B-2	Sogestal Kayanza / Kiryama	Burundi	Kayanza, FW, Grade AA	80.9
B-3	Webcor / Gahahe	Burundi	Kayanza, Lot 16	82.6
U-1	Kawacom (U) Ltd- Sipi Organic Utz Proj	Uganda	SL14 Bugisu Shamba, Washed, Organic, UTZ	76.8
U-2	NUCAFE - Kaptokwoi, member of Kaptanya Gp	Uganda	SL14 Wugar CFA	76.9
U-3	Great Lakes Coffee Co. Ltd, Kapchorwa Relationship Coffee	Uganda	Bugisu Washed Arabica A+	79.8

- With the cooperation of Eastern African Fine Coffees Association (EAFCO), Japan External Trade Organization (JETRO) conducted the cupping of awarded (African Taste of Harvest) coffees from Malawi, Uganda, Burundi, and Zambia on May 10 in Tokyo, Japan.
- In the event, 25 Japanese cuppers evaluated the 13 samples provided by EAFCO according to the scoring form of Specialty Coffee Association Japan (SCAJ), which provided the technical support at the event.
- SCAJ's scoring method is similar to that of Cup of Excellence. The score is calculated considering the following 8 characteristics; flavor, aftertaste, acidity, mouth feel, clean cup, sweetness, balance, and overall. The score is normally 4 to 10pts lower than that of SCAA. Though there is no strict definition, some buyers consider 80pts or above as "specialty coffee" grade.
- Since the purpose of the event was to introduce ToH awarded coffee to Japan, we modified the SCAJ method for quick evaluation. The scores must be used as a reference only.

