#### YOUR COFFEE DOESN'T NEED TO BE SAD BEAN WATER

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The Legend of Kaldi

Kaldi was an Ethiopian goat herder in the 15th century, who is said to have discovered coffee when his goats ate a strange brown berry that made them so energetic they wouldn't sleep at night!



### Where did coffee *really* begin?

- Coffee was first cultivated and traded along the Arabian Peninsula in the 16th century
  - Coffee was a huge part of social life in this region they were also the first to invent coffee houses!
  - When pilgrims visited the holy city of Mecca, they drank the "wine of Araby"
- Coffee made it to Europe by the 17<sup>th</sup> century, where it was referred to as the "bitter invention of Satan" (ok Europe)
  - It was the Dutch who eventually monopolized the European coffee trade



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The Boston Tea Party! As TJ remarked, "Coffee -- the favorite drink of the civilized world."

### Where does it come from?

- Coffee is now primarily grown in Central and South America, Africa, and in some South Asian countries
- The top five coffee
  exporting countries are
  Brazil, Vietnam,
  Indonesia, Colombia, and
  Ethiopia





- The top five coffee-consuming countries per capita are Finland, Iceland, Norway, Denmark, and the Netherlands
- Finland consumes about 12 kilograms of coffee per capita every year!
- Surprisingly, the United States is 25 on the global list of coffee consumption, at 4 kg per capita
- The world consumes 1.6 billion cups of coffee every day!!!

How do you make a cup o'joe?

- Roasts are usually classified as light, medium, medium dark, dark, and sometimes super dark
- Blends involve roasting different kinds of beans together to create a new flavor
- Flavored coffee is created by coating the coffee beans with oils such as vanilla or cocoa, or spices such as cinnamon and clove

### Roasts



- Coffee beans are roasted to a minimum of 400 degrees
   Fahrenheit, at which point they expand and pop
- The "popping" of the beans is referred to as the "crack"
- The darkness of a roast depends on how many cracks the beans are put through, which depends on the roasting temperature

## Roasts: Light



- Light roast coffee is roasted to 400 degrees, to first crack or just before
- The beans are not roasted long enough to become oily, so they are drier
- Light roasts have an acidic, grainy flavor, often described as "bright"
- They also retain the most caffeine, so dark roast coffees are not stronger in caffeine, just taste!

## Roasts: Medium

- Medium roasted coffees are roasted to a darker brown color
- A medium roast has a temperature of about 430 degrees and is roasted past first crack and just before second
- Still no oil on the surface, but the coffee will smell stronger, taste fuller, and less acidic



## Roasts: Dark

- contrary to popular belief, the lowest in caffeine content
- these roasts are often described as "chocolatey" and "full-bodied"
- most of the taste here
  comes from the conditions
  of the roaster rather than
  the bean itself

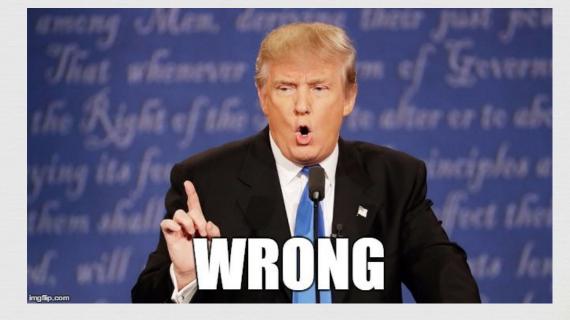


# Flavoring Coffee

- The correct way to flavor your coffee is to use flavored beans rather than gross flavored creamers!!!
- Coffee beans are flavored after they have been through the roaster, when they are cracked and ready to absorb flavor
- The flavoring typically comes from a concentrated syrup, about 3% of the bean's weight
- Coffee beans are spun in a mixer after they have cooled so the flavoring is not burnt

### Popular Brewing Methods

- Pour-over
  - The best way to fully aerate your coffee and give it the best possible flavor
- » Keurig
  - » No.
- Coffee pots
  - » Maybe.
- French press
  - Acceptable.



### Chemex!

Main important features:

The filter

- The shape
- Also it's pretty
- it's cheap on Amazon go get one





- Nicaraguan medium roast, flavored lightly with vanilla and cinnamon
- A dark roast grown in Nicaragua and roasted locally, described as "chocolatey"
- Shameless self-insert, I, a Cajun, am sharing my personal supply of Cafe du Monde chicory coffee

### The end!

 All information and photos are readily Google-able for your citation pleasure