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Menu

Green Tea

Tai Ping Huo Kui (China)

One of China's best green teas, Tai Ping Huo Kui, called "Monkey King," is unique for the largest leaf of any green tea measuring two to three inches in length. Its fame first spread beyond its native Taiping County when it was awarded a Gold Medal at San Francisco's Panama-Pacific Exposition in 1915. The tea is grown on the northern slopes of China's famed Huang Shan (Yellow Mountain), where abundant orchids and shade, along with rain half the year and cloud and mist the rest, combine to produce this striking and uncommonly delicious tea. It is a tea with all the ingredients of greatness.

Source: The Whole Leaf (619) 977-9838 www.thewholeleaf.com Price: \$35.00/4 oz.

Tenbu 1st Flush Half-Shaded Kabusecha (Japan)

Tenbu, or "Dance in Heaven," is an organic partially shaded green tea. Harvested in mid-April, it is the first picked tea of the new year. It is a rarity in Japan and a true delight to tea connoisseurs. The tea undergoes a short steaming process and produces a delicious, lingering aftertaste and remarkably subtle aroma.

Source: Keiko-Tea (618) 242-5711 www.keiko-tea.us Price: \$40.00/50g

White Tea

Super King White Peony Bai Mu Dan (China)

A white tea made entirely of plump downy leaf buds and tender leaves, healthful and rich in sweet flavor. It is processed like most other fine white teas without using steam or high-temperature pan frying or baking during its production. Its natural processing helps to preserve the tea's polyphenols and antioxidants.

Source: PeLi Teas (323) 651-2282 www.peliteas.com Price: \$13.00/2 Oz.

Yellow Tea

Jun Shan Yin Zhen Silver Needle Yellow Tea 2009 (China)

Jun Shan Yin Zhen Silver Needle is the most famous yellow tea in China. This Tribute Tea grows on a small island (Jun Shan) within Dong Ting Lake in Hunan Province. The

climate and soil create a special sweet fruit aroma and slight sugarcane taste. The small growing area and skill required to make this special tea results in only a small quantity produced yearly. The tea aficionado will appreciate the true quality of this unique yellow tea.

Source: PeLi Teas (323) 651-2282 www.peliteas.com Price: \$140/100g.

Oolong Tea

Super Butterfly (China)

Super Butterfly is an absolutely exquisite example of high quality Chinese oolong tea grown in the WuYi mountains. While the dry leaves have a sweet honey fragrance, the aroma shifts to resemble light sugarcane. The tea color is a light bronze color. The clean flavor is robust without heaviness and never turns bitter. A rare treat for oolong lovers!

Source: Metropolitan Tea (800) 388-0351 www.metrotea.com Price: \$93.55/Lb.

Da Hong Pao (China)

Da Hong Pao, or “Big Red Robe” as it is called, is one of the ten Great Chinese Teas and is regarded as the King of Wuyi Rock Teas. It is a dark oolong made of tender, plump, spring leaves crafted into a stout, curled shape with an orchid aroma and medium-bodied, sweet taste. When steeped, the leaves unfurl revealing the characteristic reddish purple edges with emerald green centers that fine Da Hong Pao is known for. The best plucking time for Da Hong is in the afternoon between 2 pm and 5 pm when the tea leaves usually contain the least moisture.

Source: The Whole Leaf (619) 977-9838 www.thewholeleaf.com Price: \$50.00/4 oz.

1998 Honey Orchid Phoenix Oolong (China)

This gorgeous aged Dan Cong Oolong from the Phoenix Mountain in China’s Guangdong Province is one of the most complex in taste. Heavy roasted Dan Cong tea with a pronounced flavor and a mellow and smooth texture and mouth-feel. Tastes like a sweet dark chocolate with floral and citrus notes. It is like drinking a fine liqueur and everything that an oolong should be.

Source: Tea Habitat (310) 921-5282 www.teahabitat.com Price: \$200.00/lb.

Premium Winter Fu Shou (Taiwan)

Fu Shou (also called Buddha’s Hand) has a smooth mouth-feel, a deliberate aftertaste, and a delicate fruity aroma. It builds significantly in color and flavor across the first few infusions, as it retains its smoothness and complexity throughout.

Source: Shan Shui Teas (202) 258-5280 www.shanshuiteas.com Price: \$55.10/150g

2004 Wild Hong Cha Tou (China)

This is a most interesting Phoenix Dan Cong Oolong. The first brew starts with a bit of sea breeze flavor. By later infusions the taste and flavor changes into something creamy and robust. The viscosity of the tea liquor is thick producing a pleasant mouth-feel. The tea can last 10 infusions or more.

Source: Tea Habitat (310) 921-5282 www.teahabitat.com Price: \$14.00/2 oz.

Dong Fang Mei Ren (Taiwan)

Dong Fang Mei Ren (also called Oriental Beauty) is an unrolled dark Taiwanese oolong unlike any other. From Nantou County, this tea was hand-picked with two leaves and a bud per cluster. Enzymes change the color of the leaf edges to a deep red, and cause the plant to give off the aroma of honey and fruit. The transfer of pollen from nearby flowers to the tea leaves gives it an unusually sweet flavor.

Source: The Whole Leaf (619) 977-9838 www.thewholeleaf.com Price: \$35.00/4 oz.

Black Tea

Yunnan Dian Hong Golden Buds (China)

Whole leaf black tea of this supreme quality is almost unheard of in the West, so enjoy the rare opportunity to taste Yunnan Dian Hong Golden Buds (also called Jin Ya). It is the youngest of China's famous black teas rising to prominence in the early 1940s. This early Spring tea is well-balanced, full-bodied, and unequivocally delightful with a lasting fragrance. First-Place Winner at the 2009 World Tea Championship (Yunnan Black Tea).

Source: PeLi Teas (323) 651-2282 www.peliteas.com Price: \$22.00/4 oz.

Woojeon Hongcha Goryeo (Korea)

This black tea (hongcha) is made from woojeon-grade leaves, the earliest picked leaves of the Korean spring tea harvest. It has a light maltiness that clearly identifies it as a black tea, combined with a fruit-sweetness all its own. A very unique, savoury black tea.

Source: Shan Shui Teas (202) 258-5280 www.shanshuiteas.com Price: \$85.00/70g

Jun Chiyabari TGFOP (Nepal)

In 2001, a tiny 75 hectare tea garden emerged in remote Eastern Nepal, poised to do big things in spite of its size. Jun Chiyabari was a vision to bring some of the best tea growing land in the world under cultivation. Growers produce the tea according to strict organic practices. Attention to detail make this tea a fantastic story, but it is in the cup that we find its value. Comparable with top Darjeelings, the tea is tart and

herbaceous, green around the edges with floral backbone. It is proof that quality is the sum of its parts.

Source: TeaGschwender (888) 884-8327 www.teamerchants.com Price: \$56.70/100g

Pu-erh Tea

1996 Collector's Pu-erh Super Grade (China)

This famous Chinese dark tea has been produced in Yunnan since ancient times. A collector's tea that ages like vintage wine. Pu-erh is known for its curative properties, appealing flavor, and remarkable aroma.

Source: PeLi Teas (323) 651-2282 www.peliteas.com Price: \$30.00/4 Oz.