



Profile : Bourbon Street Vanilla Rooibos

Loose - Flavored Rooibos Tea

November 21, 2025

CUP CHARACTERISTICS: Fruity with sweet notes. Vanilla flavoring gives the rooibos a wonderful jazzy depth.

INGREDIENTS: Rooibos, Almond, Calendula petal, Natural flavors.

INGREDIENTS FROM: South Africa / Canada / Egypt

REGION(S): Cederberg / Ontario / Nile River Delta + Fayoum

GROWING ALTITUDES: 1500 - 2500 feet above sea level

GRADE(S): Choice Grade #1

MANUFACTURE TYPE(S): Traditional process, Bruised and fermented

ANTIOXIDANT LEVEL: Low

CAFFEINE LEVEL: None - Caffeine Free Herb

KOSHER: Yes

VEGETARIAN: Yes

VEGAN: Yes

ARTISANAL NOTES: Small batch blended and packed in Canada at The Metropolitan Tea Company.

INFUSION: Reddish orange to full color

INFORMATION:

Is there any other street in the United States that conjures up as many exotic images as does Bourbon Street in the heart of New Orleans' French Quarter? From Voodoo to Jazz and Burlesque to Mardi Gras, Bourbon is the street where anything can, and does, happen. (Don't believe it? Pick up a copy of "A Confederacy of Dunces" by John Kennedy Toole - considered by some to be the most accurate depiction of the French Quarter ever written. And it's hilarious!) Or if you prefer, take a trip to New Orleans and experience the street for yourself.

It was during one such visit that our Master Taster came up with the idea for this blend. While perusing the shops of the French Quarter one evening, he caught a whiff of toasty Vanilla drifting from an alley. The smell was so hypnotizing he felt compelled to follow it and soon discovered that it was coming from a small makeshift voodoo shrine someone had constructed. He decided to capture the enticing character he had experienced and blend it with pure, caffeine free, South African Rooibos to reflect the African roots of the voodoo he had stumbled across. The result is an exceptionally smooth herbal tea with mysterious character and subtle notes of fresh vanilla. Enjoy a cup today. (Or we'll turn you into a goat!)

STEEPING TIME

TEA CUP	8oz (237ml)	10oz (296ml)	12oz (355ml)
AMOUNT	1 heaping teaspoon of "The Perfect Measure Spoon" (Item# 11MS-1370-)	1 heaping teaspoon of "The Perfect Measure Spoon" (Item# 11MS-1370-)	1.5 heaping teaspoon of "The Perfect Measure Spoon" (Item# 11MS-1370-)
MILD	2-3 min	2-3 min	2-3 min
MEDIUM	4-5 min	4-5 min	4-5 min
STRONG	6-7 min	6-7 min	6-7 min
MetroTea recommends 6-7 min			

TEA POT	18oz (532ml)	36oz (1064ml)	48oz (1419ml)
AMOUNT	2 heaping teaspoons of "The Perfect Measure Spoon" (11MS-1370-)	1 heaping teaspoon of "Pot of Perfect Tea Spoon" (Item # 11MS-1155-)	2 heaping teaspoon of "Pot of Perfect Tea Spoon" (Item # 11MS-1155-)
MILD	2-3 min	2-3 min	2-3 min
MEDIUM	4-5 min	4-5 min	4-5 min
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SERVING RECOMMENDATIONS:

MILK	SUGAR	LEMON	MINT
OK	OK	NO	NO





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IDEAL BREWING TEMPERATURE: 100°C/212°F

HOT BREWING METHOD:

Bring filtered or freshly drawn cold water to a rolling boil. Place 1 slightly heaping teaspoon of loose tea for each 7-9oz / 200-260ml of fluid volume in the teapot. Pour the boiling water into the teapot. Cover and let steep for 3-7 minutes according to taste (the longer the steeping time the stronger the tea).

ICED TEA BREWING METHOD (Pitcher): (To Make 1 Liter/Quart):

Place 6 slightly heaping teaspoons of loose rooibos or 6 tea bags into a teapot or heat resistant pitcher. Using filtered or freshly drawn cold water, boil and pour 1 1/4 cups/315ml over the rooibos. Steep for 5 minutes. Quarter fill a serving pitcher with cold water. Pour the brewed rooibos into your serving pitcher straining the rooibos or removing the bags. Add ice and top-up the pitcher with cold water. Garnish and sweeten to taste. A rule of thumb when preparing fresh brewed iced rooibos is to increase the strength of the hot rooibos brew since it will be poured over ice and diluted with cold water.

ICED TEA BREWING METHOD (Individual Serving):

Place 1 slightly heaping teaspoon of loose rooibos or 1 tea bag into a teapot for each serving required. Using filtered or freshly drawn cold water, boil and pour 6-7oz/170-200ml per serving over the rooibos. Cover and let steep for 5 minutes. Add hot rooibos herbal tea to a 12oz/375ml acrylic glass filled with ice, straining the rooibos or removing the bags. Not all of the tea will fit, allowing for approximately an additional 1/2 serving. Sweeten and/or add lemon to taste. A rule of thumb when preparing fresh brewed iced rooibos is to increase the strength of hot rooibos since it will be poured over ice and diluted.

FOOD SAFETY ADVISORY: We strongly recommend using filtered or freshly drawn cold water brought to a rolling boil when brewing all types of tea. Today's water has been known to carry viruses, parasites and bacteria. Boiling the water will kill these elements and reduce the potential incidence of water-borne illnesses.

RECOMMENDATION: We recommend the use of our '1 Cup of Perfect Tea' measuring spoon (Item# 11MS-1370) for best results. Please contact Metropolitan Tea to place an order.

ANTIOXIDANT BENEFIT: For a greater antioxidant benefit brew longer and use more tea.



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