

The Ache's Pride: How Yerba Mate is Saving a Rainforest and Her People

Yerba Mate is a healthy and stimulating tea beverage that is indigenous to the Atlantic Temperate Rainforest of South America. This area, once rich with an abundance of natural resources, has become one of the most heavily deforested areas on Earth. Not only will you learn about Yerba Mate, its value, and how it is traditionally consumed in this presentation, you will also ascertain the role of the Ache people and how they became empowered to undertake this project.

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Robert McCauley has been a Cebador for the past 3 years, introducing and sharing Yerba Mate with thousands of people across North America. His role is to prepare and facilitate the comfort of sharing Yerba Mate in any social setting. In the past, Rob has worked as a certified Sommelier and a culinary professional in some of the world's most innovative kitchens. His awareness and appreciation for the importance of traditional and indigenous cuisines developed from these experiences and his extensive travels.

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