

## UGANDA KISINGA



‘Kisinga is the town where our main coffee station is situated. This is where we bring the ripe cherries after purchasing from our groups of farmers. The coffee is grown over a wide area ranging from 1300 to 1600 masl. Most small-holder farmers have some coffee on their land. It is their main cash crop and they rely on the income they get for paying school fees for their children. The varieties grown are mainly SL28 and SL14, but also with some older varieties including Nyasaland.

The cherries are floated in water when they arrive at the coffee station. The lighter floating cherries are not top quality and are removed. The heavy good quality cherries sink and are then taken and laid out on raised African beds to dry. Over 14 days they are turned regularly as they slowly dry. They are then hulled on site, assessed for quality in the quality lab before being sent to Kampala from where they travel by truck and ship to the UK.’