

Darjeeling Tea – The Definition

Tea which has been cultivated, grown, produced, manufactured and processed in tea gardens in the hilly areas of Sadar Sub-Division, only hilly areas of Kalimpong Sub-Division comprising Samabeong Tea Estate, Ambiok Tea Estate, Mission Hill Tea Estate, Upper Fagu and Kumai Tea Estates and Kurseong Sub-Division excluding the areas in jurisdiction list 20, 21, 23, 24, 29, 31 and 33 comprising Subtighuri Sub-Division of New Chumta Tea Estate, Simulbari and Marionbari Tea Estate Of Kurseong Police station in Kurseong Sub-Division of the District of Darjeeling in the State of west Bengal, India.

Tea, which has been processed and manufactured in a factory located in the aforesaid areas, other than tea manufactured by CTC process.

Tea, which, when brewed, has a distinctive, naturally occurring aroma and taste with light liquor and the infused leaf of which has a distinctive fragrance.

The Tea Board of India and DPA are jointly taking steps to protect the Darjeeling name under the World Trade Organization convention, covering geographical indications of source.