

A person with traditional Papua New Guinea face paint and headdress. The face is painted red with white and blue patterns around the eyes and mouth. The headdress is made of yellow and red feathers. The person is wearing a necklace of red and white beads.

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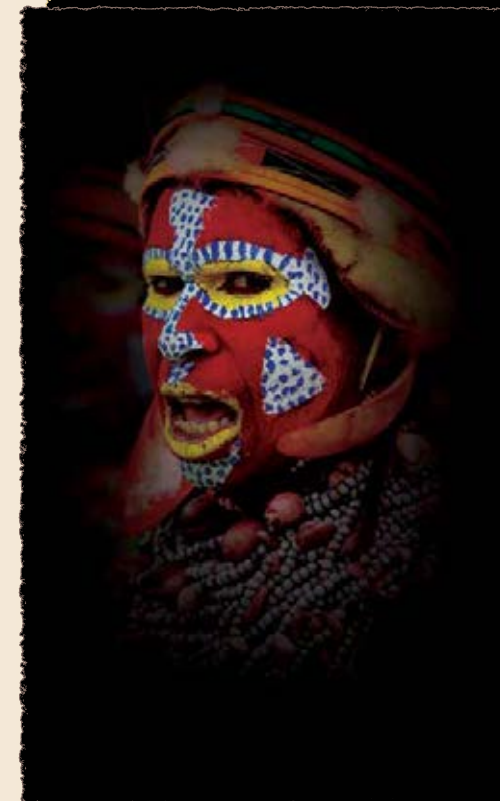
## Plantation AX

Before the history of man in Papua New Guinea, Mount Hagen was an immense volcano. In a cataclysmic event, this massive mountain exploded, blocking off the drainage to the Waghi Valley. Over the next several thousand years a huge intra-mountain land arose, eventually creating a river (now named the Waghi River) to the South east, where it joined up with the Chimbu River.

For thousands of years, thick, rich, black sedimentary soil was deposited in this valley, giving rise to what was perhaps the first organised agricultural system in the history of humanity. The Waghi valley was drained in the 1960s and flooded with coffee plantations which exist today.

The descendants of these ancient farmers now grow a different crop, one ideally suited to these beautiful black soils – they are today's Waghi Valley coffee growers.

Working 4,000 feet above sea level in an area with rainfall between 2,400 and 3,400 mm annually, they grow the coffee trees that produce Monpi Coffee's distinctive Piora AX coffee. Enjoy the smooth rounded, full bodied cup today. It's a taste of history.



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