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Coffee Review Professional Services for Ataka Trading Company

Kenneth Davids Reviews: November 2009

- **Name:** India Balmaadi Bio-Dynamic Civet Cat **Lot number:** 638
- **Origin/Area:** India, Nilgiri **Estate:** Balmaadi Estate
- **Variety:** Kent **Process:** Civet Cat **Crop:** 2009
- **Roast:** Evaluated at a medium roast (Agtron Whole Bean M-Basic 53).
- **Attribute scores**
 - Aroma 8
 - Acidity 7
 - Body 8
 - Flavor 8
 - Aftertaste 8

OVERALL RATING: 89

■ **Sensory assessment:**

Deep, resonant aroma: roasted nut and an orangy dark chocolate. Muted acidity, syrupy mouthfeel, round balance, quiet notes of dark chocolate and orange-toned nut. The short finish is simple but a hint of the dark chocolate surfaces in the long.



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Assessment Key

Attribute scores and ratings. Attribute scores (Aroma, Acidity, etc.) are assigned on a scale of 1 – 10, reflecting a judgment that considers intensity, quality and appropriateness to origin. Overall rating is on a scale of 50 – 100. Thus:

Attribute score	Overall rating	Description
9 – 10	95 – 100	Exceptional
8 – 9	90 – 94	Outstanding
7 – 8	85 – 89	Very Good
6 – 7	80 – 84	Good
5 – 6	75 – 79	Fair
3 – 5	70 – 74	Poor
1 – 3	<70	Defective

Roast level. Attribute scores and sensory assessment are based on a reading of the coffee at the indicated degree of roast. Readings may (but not always) be confirmed at a different degree of roast. Agtron Whole Bean M-Basic numbers are determined by Agtron M-Basic machine reading of the color of the roasted whole beans. Names assigned to degree of roast (medium, dark, etc.) are based on the Specialty Coffee Association of America nomenclature for the M-Basic or “Gourmet” Agtron Whole Bean M-Basic scale.