

# A Visit to the Ancient Tea Trees in the Remote Mountains



Ancient tea trees more than 800 years old in Nannuo Mountain

*You have to visit the virgin forests in southwest Yunnan to see the original ancient tea trees. Oblivious to the changing market economy, these trees remain unmoved, watching the mountain fog gathering and clearing all year round. Unlike young trees which flourish every season padding the tea farmers' wallets, ancient trees slow down their growth, showing dignity. The phrase "tea from wild ancient trees" touches your heart, transporting you to the vast fields and remote mountains, offering tranquility.*





King of tea trees in Nannuo Mountain



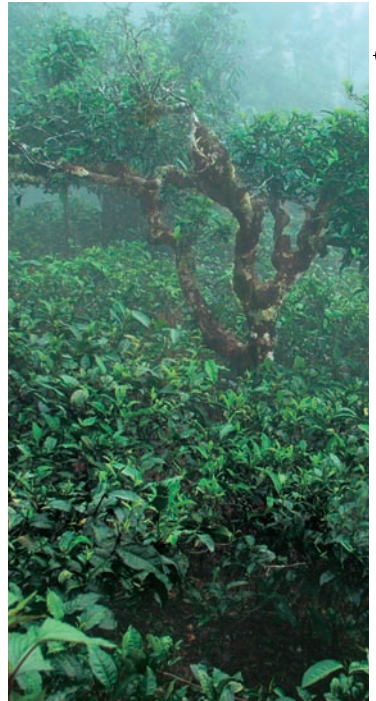
Young 20–30-year-old tea trees at the foot of ancient 400–500-year-old tea trees



Leaves of ancient tea trees in Yiwu



Leaves of ancient tea trees in Yibang



"Crab pincers" of ancient arbor tea trees in Nannuo Mountain



Blossoms of the ancient tea trees in Gaoshan Village of Yiwu

Where can you find ancient tea gardens but in the mountains? Unlike the tender and light green tea trees found south of the Yangtze River, tea trees here are as sturdy and high as ancient pines, with tough dark green leaves. The rough leaves reflect strength accumulated with age. The tea blossoms are as delicate as they were when the tree first budded. Amid such breathtaking surroundings, one cannot but bow in reverence.



A Hani tea farmer of Bangzha Community in Pu-erh



## Part 1

# Learning about Pu-erh Tea from Its Processing Techniques

*The increasing popularity of Pu-erh tea arouses people's interest in it. To know Pu-erh tea, you must first learn about its processing techniques. Many mysteries are rooted in its processing procedures. Learning about them and their techniques will help unveil the mysteries.*

