

## MITSURU AMACHA (SWEET HYDRANGEA TEA)

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## \*HISTORY\*

Amacha (sweet tea) is an herbal tea made in japan from the fermented leaves of the hydrangea. It has be used for more than 500years at temples to celebrate the birth of the Buddha. It is a healthy tea which warms the body, with flavors that soften bitternesstaste and refreshes the mouth, because it is very sweet, but has no calories, it is also used as a sweetener by diabetes patients. The sweetening ingredient is not sugar, but phyllodulcin, which is approximately 400 times as sweet as sugar. About 20 years ago, it was discovered that amacha has various uses, such as being uniquely effective against periodontitis-causing bacteria deeply associated witdiabetes. In recent years, amacha has become popular in Europe (UK. France. Germany. and others) and the US as a replacement for sugar in coffee and black tea. However, it's production has been limited to Nagano and Iwate prefectures, which are at high altitudes and remain cool even in summer. The Mitsuru Plantec Institute which realized the magnificence of amacha, has undertaken crossbreeding efforts in order to be able to produce high-quality hydrangea leafs even in the slightly warmer region of Tochigi prefecture. Recently, as the result of l3years of research and development, the Mitsuru Plantec institute successfully begun producing and selling Mitsuru Amacha an excellent amacha with a higher degree of the sweetening ingredient. It is cultivated in a countryside filled withfireflies, sweetfish, and natural springs. There are no gricultural chemicals or radioactivity to be detected, either (FARL Analysis, Tochigi Analysis).

甘茶は我が国原産のアマチャアジサイから作られる発酵茶。500 年以上の長きにわたり寺院で釈迦の誕 生を祝う花祭りに使われるかたわら体が温まる健康茶として、また苦みを和らげる矯味剤や口腔清涼 剤、さらに極めて甘くノンカロリーのため糖尿病患者のための甘味料としても用いられてきました。 甘味成分は糖質ではなく、ショ糖の約 400 倍甘いフィロズルチンです。そして 20 年ほど前、甘茶は甘 味以外にも糖尿病と深いつながりがある歯周病原因菌への特異的抗菌作用など様々な効利用があるこ とが明らかにされました。甘茶は近年、ヨーロッパ(イギリス、フランス、ドイツなど)やアメリカで コーヒーや紅茶に砂糖の代わりとして人気となっています。しかし、生産はこれまで長野県や岩手県 の夏季冷涼な高冷地に限られてきました。みつる植物研究所は甘茶の素晴らしさに着目し栃木県でも 高品質な原料が生産できるよう品種改良に取り組み、このほど 13 年に及ぶ研究開発により甘味成分の 多い素晴らしい甘茶【みつる甘茶】の生産販売に至りました。湧水と鮎と蛍の里で無農薬栽培してい ます。農薬、放射能とも不検出(FARL分析、栃木県分析)。安心安全な世界に誇る健康茶です。







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