

Dragonfly Vanilla Rooibos

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Vanilla Rooibos, in summary: Dragonfly vanilla rooibos is the organic red-rooibos-and-real-vanilla blend; sweet, creamy, vanilla-forward; the dessert-replacement cup.

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Dragonfly Vanilla Rooibos pairs South African red bush tea with real vanilla, sweet, comforting, naturally caffeine free, and one of the most accessible introductions to rooibos for drinkers who find pure rooibos too austere. The vanilla amplifies rooibos's natural sweetness and turns the cup into something genuinely dessert leaning. Pregnancy friendly, child friendly, evening friendly.

What's in the bag

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- **Rooibos.** Organic Cederberg region South African red bush.
- **Vanilla.** Real vanilla pieces or natural vanilla flavouring (varies by batch, check packaging if you specifically want pod pieces).

Organic certified across the supply chain. Plant fibre tea bags, no plastic seal.

What it tastes like

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The cup is amber red with a creamy vanilla aromatic. Rooibos's natural woody sweet character is amplified by the vanilla, the result is genuinely dessert leaning, almost custard like in suggestion. Drinks well black;

takes milk beautifully (vanilla rooibos latte is a serious comfort drink); needs no added sugar.

How to brew

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1. 1 tea bag per 200ml.
2. Just boiled water (~95°C). Rooibos tolerates full boil.
3. Steep 5-7 minutes for full vanilla aromatic release.
4. Drink black, or add a splash of warmed milk for a vanilla rooibos latte.
5. Optional: cinnamon dust on top.

Use cases

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Vanilla rooibos latte (the everyday comfort drink)

1. Brew 1 bag in 100ml water for 5 minutes.
2. Heat 200ml whole milk (or oat milk) to just below boiling.
3. Combine in a mug. Stir.
4. Optional: dust cinnamon on top.

Naturally sweet, comforting, completely caffeine free. A workable evening alternative to coffee based hot [chocolate](#) or chai latte.

Iced vanilla rooibos

Cold brew 4 bags in 1L cold water for 6-8 hours. Strain. Serve over ice. Excellent summer alternative to sweetened iced coffee.

Dessert pairing

Pairs beautifully with vanilla cake, custard tarts, lemon [biscuits](#), ginger cake. The vanilla resonates with dessert [flavours](#).

Evening wind down

Caffeine free with a comforting flavour profile. Workable bedtime drink.

Children's drink

Naturally sweet, caffeine free, dessert leaning, kids tend to love it. A "grown up" hot drink for children that doesn't involve sugar overload.

Why rooibos + vanilla works

Rooibos has natural caramel vanilla aromatic notes from its oxidation process. Adding actual vanilla amplifies and concentrates these notes, the two ingredients are mutually reinforcing rather than competing. This is why vanilla rooibos blends from various brands consistently rate well; the pairing is genuinely well matched.

Comparison with other vanilla teas

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Product	Base	Caffeine	Character
Dragonfly Vanilla Rooibos	Rooibos	0mg	Sweet, comforting
Pukka Vanilla Chai	Black tea + spices + vanilla	30-50mg	Spiced + sweet
Twinings Vanilla Black Tea	Black tea + vanilla	40-50mg	Sweet black
Whittard Vanilla Tea	Black tea + vanilla	40-50mg	Sweet black, premium

Cautions

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- **Allergies.** Rooibos legume cross reactions uncommon. Vanilla allergy uncommon but possible.
- **Pregnancy.** Generally considered safe.
- **Children.** Widely considered safe.
- **Diabetes.** The cup is naturally sweet but contains no actual sugar, genuinely sugar free unless you add some.

Caffeine

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Storage

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Vanilla aromatic is volatile, finish opened packaging within 6-8 months for peak vanilla character. Sealed unopened packaging is fine for 12+ months.

Buying

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Quick Buy: [Dragonfly Vanilla Rooibos](#). Available through specialist UK tea retailers including teas.co.uk.

FAQ

Is Dragonfly Vanilla Rooibos sweet? Naturally yes, but no added sugar. The sweetness comes from rooibos's natural caramel notes amplified by vanilla.

Is it caffeine free? Yes, completely.

Pregnancy and children? Generally safe for both.

Can I make a vanilla rooibos latte? Yes, brew strong, add steamed milk, optional cinnamon dust. Genuinely comforting drink.

Best caffeine free dessert tea? Vanilla rooibos is one of the most accessible. Pukka Three Cinnamon and Pukka After Dinner are alternatives in similar territory.

Curator's note: vanilla rooibos latte is one of the great underrated evening drinks. Cheaper than a chai latte, completely caffeine free, and the comfort hit is real. We drink this most evenings as the proper "treat tea" of the cupboard. Lee, Teas.co.uk, Tunbridge Wells.

Dragonfly Vanilla Rooibos, at a glance

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Aspect	Note
Product	Red rooibos with real vanilla pod pieces; organic
Brand	Dragonfly, UK organic infusion specialist
Certification	Soil Association organic; rooibos and vanilla both organic-certified
Caffeine	Zero
Taste	Sweet, creamy, vanilla-forward; the dessert-cup-without-dessert
Brewing	5-7 minutes boiling water
Use case	Post-dinner dessert replacement; cold-evening comfort cup
Compare to	Twinnings vanilla black tea, vanilla chai, Yogi Honey Vanilla

Closer to home, the [rooibos range](#) and [Dragonfly range](#).

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Further reading

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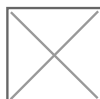
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