

Today with over 2 billion hL produced and sold each year¹, beer is the most-consumed alcoholic drink on the planet and the third after water and tea.

Malted barley is by far the biggest raw material being used for brewing, although, throughout history, people have always experimented on locally-grown grains to make fermented drinks.

Around 85-90% of beer worldwide is now produced with a portion of adjuncts. These vary from region to region:2











50-75% **Africa**

BREWING WITH LOCAL GRAINS





Relative quantity of cereals being produced in the world in 2020 (FAOSTAT) in million metric tons

761

757





Map of production

Corn 🥞

Wheat 💥

Rice 🞉

- Barley
- Corn
- Rice
- Sorghum

Alternative raw materials:2,4

1,162

Rice

Sorghum

Sugar and

starch products















Less important

Buckwheat

Amarant

Quinoa

materials:2,4

Factors driving the use of raw materials beyond malt:3

From the consumer point of view:



Consumers seeking an authentic, high-quality experience



Desire to feel more connected





Gluten-free options

From a brewer's point of view:



Providing a uniqueness in brand positioning



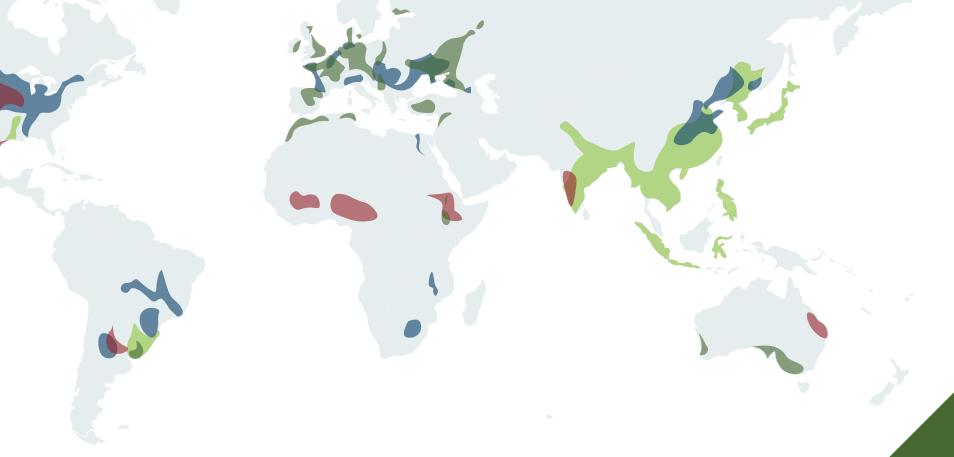
Distinctive taste identity



Sustainable use of local raw materials may reduce the impact of shipping raw materials across continents



Cost management of the beer production



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