

Barista training centre opens in Durban

Following the success of The Ciro Coffee Academy in Johannesburg, Ciro Beverage Solutions officially opened a second training centre and coffee academy situated in Durban on 11 and 12 May 2011, to demonstrate its commitment to the growing local coffee market. Accredited by Lavazza, the centre is located at Ciro offices in Mahogany Ridge, Westmead.



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Comments Angela Todd, national training manager, "The burgeoning tourism and hospitality sector in this region demands a high standard for quality coffee products and service. Partnering with Lavazza Worldwide Training Centre Network, which has 43 training centres worldwide, we have the resources to deliver international standards and innovation to the local marketplace. This new state-of-the-art facility will give the industry the tools and support to train people in this sector to ensure that local baristas have in-depth and extensive knowledge of the coffee they serve to its best potential and successfully meet global expectations."

Ciro's barista training covers subjects from the history of coffee, coffee cultivation, production, palate development, cupping and familiarisation of the required equipment to make proper coffee with an emphasis on innovation and creativity.

Each year Ciro trains over 4000 baristas and this new centre has several work stations, where trainees will be able to use the machines and review their coffee making techniques.