CLAIMS

1. A packaged tea beverage, comprising:

1 to 6 g/100 mL of inulin,

1 to 800 ppm of a catechin compound, and

a polymerized polyphenol.

2. The packaged tea beverage according to claim 1, wherein inulin is present in an amount of 1.5 to 4 g/100 mL.

3. The packaged tea beverage according to claim 1 or 2, wherein the catechin compound is present in an amount of 100 to 600 ppm.

4. The packaged tea beverage according to any one of claims 1 to 3, wherein the polymerized polyphenol is present in an amount of 1 to 600 ppm.

5. The packaged tea beverage according to any one of claims 1 to 4, further comprising an alcohol in an amount of less than 1 wt.%.

6. The packaged tea beverage according to any one of claims 1 to 5, wherein the packaged tea beverage has a ratio of an inulin content relative to a product obtained by multiplying a catechin compound content by a polymerized polyphenol content (inulin content/(catechin compound content × polymerized polyphenol content), which is in the range of from 0.02 to 60000.

7. The packaged tea beverage according to any one of claims 1 to 6, wherein the packaged tea beverage is oolong tea or black tea.

8. The packaged tea beverage according to any one of claims 1 to 7, wherein the packaged tea beverage has an intestine controlling effect.

9. The packaged tea beverage according to any one of claims 1 to 8, wherein the packaged tea beverage is a packaged beverage with a volume of 500 mL or more.

10. A method for producing a packaged tea beverage, the method comprising the steps of:

adjusting an inulin content in the beverage to be in the range of 1 to 6 g/100 mL;

adjusting a catechin compound content in the beverage to be in the range of 1 to 800 ppm; and

adjusting a polymerized polyphenol content in the beverage to be in the range of 1 to 600 ppm.

11. A method for suppressing the harshness specific to inulin in a packaged tea beverage, wherein the suppression of harshness is achieved by adjusting a catechin compound content in the beverage to be in the range of 1 to 800 ppm and adjusting a polymerized polyphenol content in the beverage to be in the range of 1 to 600 ppm.

CLAIMS

1. A packaged oolong tea beverage, comprising:

1.3 to 4 g/100 mL of inulin,

100 to 400 ppm of a catechin compound, and

70 to 600 ppm of a tea polymerized polyphenol,

wherein a flavoring is not added in the beverage.

2. The packaged tea beverage according to claim 1, wherein a volume of the packaged tea beverage is 500 mL or more.

3. The packaged tea beverage according to claim 1 or 2, wherein the packaged tea beverage is sterilized.

4. The packaged tea beverage according to any one of claims 1 to 3, wherein a sweetener is not added in the beverage.

5. The packaged tea beverage according to any one of claims 1 to 4, wherein an acidifier is not added in the beverage.