

Claims

Claim 1. A packaged green tea beverage comprising the following components (a) to (c):

- (a) 50 to 400 ppm of a catechin,
 - (b) 0.5 to 100 ppm of valine,
 - (c) 0.1 to 4.0 ppm of methionine, and
 - (d) 2.0 to 15 mg/100 mL of phosphoric acid,
- wherein the beverage has a pH of 5.0 to 7.0.

Claim 2. The beverage according to claim 1, wherein the weight ratio of methionine to valine ((c)/(b)) is not more than 10.

Claim 3. The beverage according to claim 1 or 2, further comprising (e) raffinose and (f) stachyose, and having a total amount of the raffinose and the stachyose ((e)+(f)) in the tea beverage of from 10 to 100 ppm.

Claim 4. The beverage according to any one of claims 1 to 3, wherein the volume of the beverage is in the range of 350 mL to 1000 mL.