Gen Z and Millennials drive ready-to-drink coffee growth in Southeast Asia.

Gen Z and Millennial¹ consumers make up 49% of the population in Thailand². Understanding their unique mindset and consumption habits is key to unlocking the true growth potential of ready-to-drink (RTD) coffee.

Asia will continue to be the biggest market globally for RTD beverages³.

37%

Americas forecasted share of Southeast Asia's RTD market in 2028

6%

Rest of world forecasted share of global RTD market in 2028

Gen Z and Millennials are a dominant force for consumption in Thailand.



of coffee-based drink consumers in Thailand are Gen Z and Millennials⁴

What do these young adults want from RTD coffee?





57%

Asia forecasted share

of global RTD market

in 2028

Our research shows that the lifestyle of these generations influences what they want from RTD coffee.

Convenience-first lifestyle

They value convenience above all. RTD coffee makes for a good fit, as quick commerce and hyper-convenience trends reshape beverage consumption habits⁵.

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They see RTD coffee as a convenient beverage that will help them kickstart the day⁶.



Thirst for novelty and indulgence

They prioritise mental and emotional health and indulging in self-care treats⁷.

Their quest for novelty also means that over 75% of Gen Z and Millennials are always on the lookout for the "next cool thing"⁸. For RTD coffee in Thailand, this means new flavours and experiences.



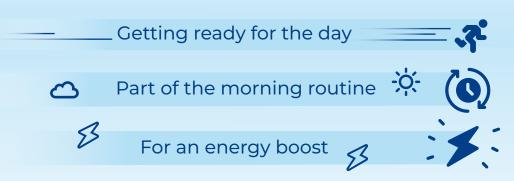
27% of Thai consumers aged 18-24 would pay a premium for products that bring them fun and unique experiences⁹.

Responsible consumption

They value sustainability and expect brands to prioritise the environment. Over 60% prefer to make guilt-free choices by buying from sustainable brands¹⁰. 77% of Thai consumers expect brands to take the lead on addressing environmental issues¹¹.



When is RTD coffee most preferred in Thailand?⁶



Curious about capturing this untapped RTD coffee opportunity?

Read our eBook "Brew up ready-to-drink coffee innovations" to uncover strategies to capture the hearts of your Gen Z and Millennial consumers.

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