## Mexican bananas in China!

Did you know that the banana is the most widely cultivated tropical fruit in Mexico?



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According to the *Sistema Producto Plátano* organization, Mexico ranks as the twelfth banana producer worldwide with an estimated production of 2.7 million annual tons, of which 30% is exported with an approximate worth of USD\$270 million.

This Mexican fruit reaches 43 destinations around the world, with the United States of America, the United Kingdom, Japan, South Korea, Italy, Russia and New Zealand among their main customers.

On May 13, 2019 the Secretariat of Agriculture and Rural Development and the General Administration of Customs of the People's Republic of China (GACC) signed the phytosanitary requirements protocol to export fresh bananas from Mexico to China.

The first export shipment consists of 39 tons of banana: 20 tons come from the San Antonio production unit in Tabasco, and 19 tons come from the El Carmen production unit in Chiapas.

For more information visit: <u>Mexico begins exporting bananas to</u>
China