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Tobacco leaf processing

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Tabakblätterbehandlung

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Traitement de feuilles de tabac

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Abstract (en)  
A process of producing a smoking article, preferably a cigar is described. After harvest, whole tobacco leaves are cured. Post-curing the leaves are threshed such that the leaf components are separated and the lamina is turned into strips. Tobacco strips are dipped and fermented for a period of time before being dried. The dried tobacco provides a filler for the cigar, which filler is wrapped in tobacco leaf to produce the smoking article , which is matured for a period.

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