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 **Hometown food proves popular**

My hometown Yiwu is an attractive city. Not only does it have beautiful scenery, but it also has a lot of tasty local food. For me, candied jujube (蜜枣) is the most delicious one. It’s a processed (加工的) food made from brown sugar and jujubes.

Candied jujubes are made in factories that specifically produce brown sugar. Everything is made manually (手工) there. If you visit the factory, you will find it’s full of the odor (气味) of brown sugar. Candied jujube is one of the most popular processed foods made with brown sugar. Workers soak jujubes in brown sugar syrup for a long time, and then dry them from sticky to waterless. In fact, people choose the jujubes that are not fresh or immature (未熟的) to process, because the quality of jujubes doesn’t have a big influence for candied jujubes’ flavor. I suppose it’s a wise way to sell fresh jujubes and process the rest of them.

 A jujube is healthy, and brown sugar is also beneficial for our bodies. That’s why most Yiwu people keep eating several candied jujubes every day. As time goes by, candied jujube has gradually become the sweet memory of childhood in Yiwu people’s hearts.