

# The History of Us: What do REAL FILIPINOS look like?

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One day, my Korean student asked me if I can introduce a "real" Filipino to him or if I can give him a picture of it at least. I questioned him why he asked me that kind of favor. He said, he thinks most people he encountered in the Philippines look like "mixed-blood" Filipinos. Some people look like Latinos, Chinese, Japanese and even Vietnamese he said. Suddenly it comes to my mind that somehow it's difficult to explain what kind of "specific" race we are.

Many netizens online are arguing if Miss Philippines candidates or Filipino celebrities are in European or Indian descents, whereas the real thing is, most of them are pure-blood Filipinos. This makes foreign people think that all Filipinos should look similar in most features. Such as Koreans in Korea, Chinese in China, or Caucasians in Western and European countries.

I don't know if this is what they call "stereotyping". Or... should someone be happy if a foreigner call him Korean or Spanish since Filipinos (as they say) should be dark brown, short etc.?

So, I made this video for better comprehension about our HISTORY and GENETIC studies. I search many reliable sources from the internet to give you a clear and a simple picture of what FILIPINOS should look like.

I might have illogical misconception in the video, however this the best I can interpret the information I got. ;)

## FILIPINOS TODAY

Filipinos of mixed ethnic origins are still referred to today as mestizos. However in common parlance, mestizos are only used to refer to Filipinos mixed with Spanish or any other European ancestry. Filipinos mixed with any foreign ethnicities are named depending on their predominant physical aspect.

PHILIPPINE NATIONALITY LAW is currently based upon the principles of your place of birth or origin, and therefore descent from a parent who is a citizen of the Republic of the Philippines is the primary method of acquiring national citizenship. Birth in the Philippines to foreign parents does not in itself confer Philippine citizenship.

Thus, not all FILIPINOS share similar set of physical features to be considered as "specific and real" FILIPINOS.

Through INTERRACIAL MARRIAGES and MULTICULTURALISM, Filipinos may become a unique race with various physical attributes, BUT with ONE FILIPINO heart and mind.

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