

GREAT ATLANTIC & PACIFIC TEA CO INC
Form SC 13G
January 28, 2005

UNITED STATES
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
Washington, D.C. 20549

SCHEDULE 13G

Under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934
(Amendment No. __)*

The Great Atlantic and Pacific Tea Company, Inc.

(Name of Issuer)

Common Stock, \$1.00 Par Value Per Share

(Title of Class of Securities)

390064103

(CUSIP Number)

January 21, 2005

(Date of Event which Requires Filing
of this Statement)

Check the appropriate box to designate the rule pursuant to which this Schedule
is filed:

- Rule 13d-1(b)
 Rule 13d-1(c)
 Rule 13d-1(d)

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for any subsequent amendment containing information which would alter the
disclosures provided in a prior cover page.

The information required on the remainder of this cover page shall not be deemed
to be "filed" for the purpose of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of
1934 ("Act") or otherwise subject to the liabilities of that section of the Act
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1 NAME OF REPORTING PERSON
I.R.S. IDENTIFICATION NO. OF ABOVE PERSON

S.A.C. Capital Advisors, LLC

2 CHECK THE APPROPRIATE BOX IF A MEMBER OF A GROUP*

(a) []

(b) [X]

3 SEC USE ONLY

4 CITIZENSHIP OR PLACE OF ORGANIZATION

Delaware

5 SOLE VOTING POWER
NUMBER OF SHARES BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY EACH REPORTING PERSON WITH 0

6 SHARED VOTING POWER
1,930,900 (see Item 4)

7 SOLE DISPOSITIVE POWER
0

8 SHARED DISPOSITIVE POWER
1,930,900 (see Item 4)

9 AGGREGATE AMOUNT BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY EACH REPORTING PERSON

1,930,900 (see Item 4)

10 CHECK BOX IF THE AGGREGATE AMOUNT IN ROW (9) EXCLUDES CERTAIN SHARES

[]

11 PERCENT OF CLASS REPRESENTED BY AMOUNT IN ROW (9)

4.9% (see Item 4)

12 TYPE OF REPORTING PERSON*

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S.A.C. Capital Management, LLC

2 CHECK THE APPROPRIATE BOX IF A MEMBER OF A GROUP*

(a) []

(b) [X]

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4 CITIZENSHIP OR PLACE OF ORGANIZATION

Delaware

5 SOLE VOTING POWER

NUMBER OF
SHARES

0

BENEFICIALLY
OWNED

6 SHARED VOTING POWER

BY
EACH

1,930,900 (see Item 4)

REPORTING
PERSON

7 SOLE DISPOSITIVE POWER

WITH

0

8 SHARED DISPOSITIVE POWER

1,930,900 (see Item 4)

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4.9% (see Item 4)

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S.A.C. Capital Associates, LLC

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(a) []

(b) [X]

3 SEC USE ONLY

4 CITIZENSHIP OR PLACE OF ORGANIZATION

Anguilla, British West Indies

5 SOLE VOTING POWER

0

NUMBER OF
SHARES
BENEFICIALLY
OWNED
BY
EACH
REPORTING
PERSON
WITH

6 SHARED VOTING POWER

1,926,300 (see Item 4)

7 SOLE DISPOSITIVE POWER

0

8 SHARED DISPOSITIVE POWER

1,926,300 (see Item 4)

9 AGGREGATE AMOUNT BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY EACH REPORTING PERSON

1,926,300 (see Item 4)

10 CHECK BOX IF THE AGGREGATE AMOUNT IN ROW (9) EXCLUDES CERTAIN SHARES

[]

11 PERCENT OF CLASS REPRESENTED BY AMOUNT IN ROW (9)

4.9% (see Item 4)

12 TYPE OF REPORTING PERSON*

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1	NAME OF REPORTING PERSON I.R.S. IDENTIFICATION NO. OF ABOVE PERSON	
	S.A.C. MultiQuant Fund, LLC	
2	CHECK THE APPROPRIATE BOX IF A MEMBER OF A GROUP*	(a) [] (b) [X]
3	SEC USE ONLY	
4	CITIZENSHIP OR PLACE OF ORGANIZATION	
	Anguilla, British West Indies	
	5 SOLE VOTING POWER	
	0	
NUMBER OF SHARES BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY EACH REPORTING PERSON WITH	6 SHARED VOTING POWER	
	4,600 (see Item 4)	
	7 SOLE DISPOSITIVE POWER	
	0	
	8 SHARED DISPOSITIVE POWER	
	4,600 (see Item 4)	
9	AGGREGATE AMOUNT BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY EACH REPORTING PERSON	
	4,600 (see Item 4)	
10	CHECK BOX IF THE AGGREGATE AMOUNT IN ROW (9) EXCLUDES CERTAIN SHARES	[]
11	PERCENT OF CLASS REPRESENTED BY AMOUNT IN ROW (9)	
	Less than 0.1% (see Item 4)	
12	TYPE OF REPORTING PERSON*	
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1 NAME OF REPORTING PERSON
I.R.S. IDENTIFICATION NO. OF ABOVE PERSON

Steven A. Cohen

2 CHECK THE APPROPRIATE BOX IF A MEMBER OF A GROUP*

(a) []

(b) [X]

3 SEC USE ONLY

4 CITIZENSHIP OR PLACE OF ORGANIZATION

United States

5 SOLE VOTING POWER

NUMBER OF
SHARES
BENEFICIALLY
OWNED
BY
EACH
REPORTING
PERSON
WITH

0

6 SHARED VOTING POWER

1,930,900 (see Item 4)

7 SOLE DISPOSITIVE POWER

0

8 SHARED DISPOSITIVE POWER

1,930,900 (see Item 4)

9 AGGREGATE AMOUNT BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY EACH REPORTING PERSON

1,930,900 (see Item 4)

10 CHECK BOX IF THE AGGREGATE AMOUNT IN ROW (9) EXCLUDES CERTAIN SHARES

[]

11 PERCENT OF CLASS REPRESENTED BY AMOUNT IN ROW (9)

4.9% (see Item 4)

12 TYPE OF REPORTING PERSON*

IN

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Item 1(a) Name of Issuer:

The Great Atlantic and Pacific Tea Company, Inc.

Item 1(b) Address of Issuer's Principal Executive Offices:

2 Paragon Drive
Montvale, New Jersey 07645

Items 2(a) Name of Person Filing:

This statement is filed by: (i) S.A.C. Capital Advisors, LLC, ("SAC Capital Advisors") with respect to shares of common stock, \$1.00 par value per share ("Shares") of the Issuer beneficially owned by S.A.C. Capital Associates, LLC ("SAC Capital Associates") and S.A.C. MultiQuant Fund, LLC ("SAC MultiQuant"); (ii) S.A.C. Capital Management, LLC, ("SAC Capital Management") with respect to Shares beneficially owned by SAC Capital Associates and SAC MultiQuant; (iii) SAC Capital Associates with respect to Shares beneficially owned by it; (iv) SAC MultiQuant with respect to Shares beneficially owned by it; and (v) Steven A. Cohen with respect to Shares beneficially owned by SAC Capital Advisors, SAC Capital Management, SAC Capital Associates and SAC MultiQuant.

Item 2(b) Address of Principal Business Office:

The address of the principal business office of (i) SAC Capital Advisors and Mr. Cohen is 72 Cummings Point Road, Stamford, Connecticut 06902, (ii) SAC Capital Management is 540 Madison Avenue, New York, New York 10022, and (iii) SAC Capital Associates and SAC MultiQuant is P.O. Box 58, Victoria House, The Valley, Anguilla, British West Indies.

Item 2(c) Citizenship:

SAC Capital Advisors and SAC Capital Management are Delaware limited liability companies. SAC Capital Associates and SAC MultiQuant are Anguillan limited liability companies. Mr. Cohen is a United States citizen.

Item 2(d) Title of Class of Securities:

Common Stock, par value \$1.00 per share

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Item 2(e) CUSIP Number:

390064103

Item 3 Not Applicable

Item 4 Ownership:

The percentages used herein are calculated based upon the Shares issued and outstanding as of January 6, 2004, as reported on the Issuer's quarterly report on Form 10-Q filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission by the Issuer for the quarterly period ended December 4, 2004.

As of the close of business on January 27, 2005:

1. S.A.C. Capital Advisors, LLC

(a) Amount beneficially owned: 1,930,900

(b) Percent of class: 4.9%

(c) (i) Sole power to vote or direct the vote: -0-

(ii) Shared power to vote or direct the vote: 1,930,900

(iii) Sole power to dispose or direct the disposition: -0-

(iv) Shared power to dispose or direct the disposition:
1,930,900

2. S.A.C. Capital Management, LLC

(a) Amount beneficially owned: 1,930,900

(b) Percent of class: 4.9%

(c) (i) Sole power to vote or direct the vote: -0-

(ii) Shared power to vote or direct the vote: 1,930,900

(iii) Sole power to dispose or direct the disposition: -0-

(iv) Shared power to dispose or direct the disposition:
1,930,900

3. S.A.C. Capital Associates, LLC

(a) Amount beneficially owned: 1,926,300

(b) Percent of class: 4.9%

(c) (i) Sole power to vote or direct the vote: -0-

(ii) Shared power to vote or direct the vote: 1,926,300

(iii) Sole power to dispose or direct the disposition: -0-

(iv) Shared power to dispose or direct the disposition:
1,926,300

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4. S.A.C. MultiQuant Fund, LLC

(a) Amount beneficially owned: 4,600

(b) Percent of class: Less than 0.1%

(c) (i) Sole power to vote or direct the vote: -0-

(ii) Shared power to vote or direct the vote: 4,600

(iii) Sole power to dispose or direct the disposition: -0-

(iv) Shared power to dispose or direct the disposition:
4,600

5. Steven A. Cohen

(a) Amount beneficially owned: 1,930,900

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Item 10 Certification:

By signing below the signatory certifies that, to the best of his knowledge and belief, the securities referred to above were not acquired and are not held for the purpose of or with the effect of changing or influencing the control of the issuer of the securities and were not acquired and are not held in connection with or as a participant in any transaction having that purpose or effect.

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SIGNATURE

After reasonable inquiry and to the best of my knowledge and belief, I certify that the information set forth in this statement is true, complete and correct.

Dated: January 28, 2005

S.A.C. CAPITAL ADVISORS, LLC

By: /s/ Peter Nussbaum

Name: Peter Nussbaum
Title: Authorized Person

S.A.C. CAPITAL MANAGEMENT, LLC

By: /s/ Peter Nussbaum

Name: Peter Nussbaum
Title: Authorized Person

S.A.C. CAPITAL ASSOCIATES, LLC

By: /s/ Peter Nussbaum

Name: Peter Nussbaum
Title: Authorized Person

S.A.C. MULTIQUANT FUND, LLC

By: /s/ Peter Nussbaum

Name: Peter Nussbaum
Title: Authorized Person

STEVEN A. COHEN

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By: /s/ Peter Nussbaum

Name: Peter Nussbaum

Title: Authorized Person

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