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Product Specification

Product Information

Product Name	Deglet Nour Dates	
Product Description	Deglet Nour Pitted Dates	
Ingredient	% in Mixing Bowl	Country of Origin
Dates	100%	Tunisia, Algeria

Ingredient Declaration

Ingredients: Dates

	Product Code	Pack Size	Product Code	Pack Size
Pack Size(s) - Bulk	0513105	5kg	0513109	9kg
	0513110	10kg		
	Product Code	Pack Size	Product Code	Pack Size
Pack Size(s) - Repacked	0513103	3kg	0513314	4 x 3kg
	0513396	6 x 1kg	0513400	10 x 1kg

Photograph

Typical Example of Raw Material



Shelf Life & Storage Conditions

Maximum Shelf at Packing	365	Days
Minimum Life on Receipt (MLOR)	90	Days
Storage Temperature on Delivery	Ambient	
Storage Instructions	Store in a cool dry place out of direct sunlight	

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Microbiological Standards

Test	Target	Acceptable	Reject
TVC	<10,000 cfu/g	250,000 cfu/g	>250,000 cfu/g
E.coli	<10 cfu/g	100 cfu/g	>100 cfu/g
S.aureus	<10 cfu/g	100 cfu/g	>100 cfu/g
Enterobacteriaceae	<50 cfu/g	100 cfu/g	>100 cfu/g
Yeasts & Moulds	<1,000 cfu/g	10,000 cfu/g	>10,000 cfu/g
Salmonella	Not Detected in 25g	Not Detected in 25g	Detected in 25g

Chemical Standards

Test	Target	Acceptable	Reject
Moisture	<24%	24%	>24%
Aflatoxin Total	<4 ppb	4 ppb	>4 ppb
Aflatoxin B1	<2 ppb	2 ppb	>2 ppb

Sensory Details

Appearance	Characteristic medium to dark brown in colour, oval in shape, split down one side for removal of pit.
Aroma	Rich with caramel notes
Taste	Sweet caramel flavour
Texture	Slightly stick with harder skin and softer chewy flesh

Physical Standards

Parameter	Target	Acceptable	Reject
Blemished / Discoloured Dates	<5%	5%	>5%
Damaged and Immature Dates	<6%	6%	>6%
Soiled, Infested Dates	<8%	8%	>8%
Unpitted Dates	<2%	2%	>2%
Fermented, Mouldy and Rotten Dates	<1%	1%	>1%
Fragments	<4%	4%	>4%
Foreign Matter	Absent	1%	>1%

Bulk Packaging

	Primary	Secondary
Material	Food Grade Plastic	Corrugated Cardboard Box
Closure Method	Folded	Tape
Repacked Packaging		
	Primary	Secondary
Material	Clear Food Grade Plastic	Corrugated Cardboard
Closure Method	Heat Seal	Brown Gum Tape or Clear Sticky Tape

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Nutritional Information	
Parameter	Per 100g
Energy (kJ)	1256
Energy (Kcal)	296
Protein (g)	2.0
Available Carbohydrates (g)	68.0
Of Which Sugars (g)	60.0
Fat (g)	0.4
Of Which Saturates (g)	0.1
Salt (g)	0.1
Fibre (g)	6.4

Source: McCance & Widdowson's Seventh Summary Edition

Allergens				
Component (and products thereof)	Contains (Bulk)	Contains (Repack)	Handled at Shepcote	Comments
Cereals containing gluten	N	MC	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
Crustaceans	N	N	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Eggs	N	N	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
Fish	N	N	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Peanuts	N	MC	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
Soybeans	N	N	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
Milk	N	N	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
Nuts	N	MC	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
Celery	N	N	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
Mustard	N	N	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
Sesame	N	MC	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
Sulphur Dioxide >10 mg/kg	N	N	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
Lupin	N	N	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Molluscs	N	N	<input type="checkbox"/>	

Y = Contains, N = Does Not Contain, MC = May Contain

Group	Suitable for	
	Bulk	Repacked
Vegetarian	Yes	Yes
Vegan	Yes	Yes
Kosher (Certified)	No	No
Halal (Certified)	No	No

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Other Intolerances and/or Food Groups			
Component	Contains		Comments
	Yes	No	
Genetically Modified Organisms (GMO)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
Irradiated Materials	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
Hydrogenated Fat/Oil	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
Palm Oil	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
Maize or Maize Derivatives	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
Vegetable & Vegetable Derivatives	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
Yeast & Yeast Derivatives	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
Seeds, Seed Oil & Seed Derivatives	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
Fruit & Fruit Derivatives	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Dates
Flavouring, Colours or Preservatives	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
Beef, Pork, Lamb, Poultry & Derivatives	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
Gelatine	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
Other Animal Derivatives	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
Added Sugar	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
Added Salt	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
Mono Sodium Glutamate (MSG)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
Artificial Colours Including Azo Dyes	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
BHA/BHT	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
Kiwi	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
Cinnamon	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
Cocoa	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
Coriander	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	

Signed for and on behalf of			
Name	Position	Signature	Date

Please sign and return a copy of this specification within two weeks of receipt. Failure to do so will be deemed as customer acceptance

Signed for and on behalf of Shepcote Distributors Ltd			
Name	Position	Signature	Date
Jurate Junduliene	Quality Manager		31.10.24

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