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Product Specification

Product Information				
Product Name	Unsulphured Whole Dried Apricots			
Product Description	Pitted Natural Whole Apricots, dried slowly and naturally under sun with no preservatives.			
Ingredient	% in Mixing Bowl	Country of Origin		
Apricots	100%	Turkey		
Ingredient Declaration				
Ingredients: Apricots				
Pack Size(s) - Bulk	Product Code		Pack Size	
	0561212		12.5kg	
Pack Size(s) - Repacked	Product Code	Pack Size	Product Code	Pack Size
	0561103	3kg	0561314	4 x 3kg
	0561396	6 x 1kg	0561400	10 x 1kg
	0561525HP	12 x 250g		
This list is not exhaustive				

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	50,000 cfu/g	>50,000 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	21.5%	18 – 25%	Outside Range
Aflatoxin Total	<4 ppb	4 ppb	>4 ppb
Aflatoxin B1	<2 ppb	2 ppb	>2 ppb
Ochratoxin A	<2 ppb	2 ppb	>2 ppb

Sensory Details	
Appearance	Light brown to dark brown ovals of apricots
Aroma	Sweet fruity aroma with no off or unpleasant odours
Taste	Sweet fruity taste with no off or unpleasant flavours
Texture	Slightly soft fruit with firm skin

Physical Standards			
Parameter	Target	Acceptable	Reject
Size	161-180	-	-
Total Defects (w/w per kg)	<17%	17%	>17%
Speckled (diameter >1mm and >15 specks on one face) (w/w per Kg) *According to characteristic of the year, freckled fruit rate can be doubled up.	<6%	6%	>6%
Insect Damage (w/w per kg)	<5%	5%	>5%
Discoloured (w/w per kg)	<4%	4%	>4%
White Spots (w/w per kg)	<2%	2%	>2%
Sunburn (w/w per kg)	<5%	5%	>5%
Hail Damage (w/w per kg)	<5%	5%	>5%
Apricot kernels (Pits/pieces) (per Kg)	<1 pcs	1 pc	>1 pcs
Characteristic Foreign Body (Stalks, Stems, Leaves etc.) (per Kg)	<3 pcs	3 pcs	>3 pcs
Mould (w/w per kg)	<1%	1%	>1%
Embedded Dirt (w/w per kg)	<3%	3%	>3%
Split > 1/3 (w/w per kg)	<2%	2%	>2%
Mineral Stones <5mm (per ton)	<5 pcs	5 pcs	>5 pcs
Mineral Stones >5mm (per ton)	<1 pcs	1 pc	>1 pcs

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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/Sellotape	Brown Gum Tape or Clear Sticky Tape

Nutritional Information	
Parameter	Per 100g
Energy (kJ)	802
Energy (Kcal)	188
Protein (g)	4.8
Available Carbohydrates (g)	43.4
Of Which Sugars (g)	43.4
Fat (g)	0.7
Of Which Saturates (g)	0
Salt (g)	0.14
Fibre (g)	7.7

Source: McCance & Widdowson's COFID 2021

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

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

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"/>	Apricots
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		10.12.24

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