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**Product Specification**

**Product Information**

Product Name	Marzipan Hot Cross Buns		
Product Description	Currants & natural concentrates are added to marzipan and shaped as Hot Cross Buns. Each ball is decorated with a marzipan cross and glazed		
Ingredient	% in Mixing Bowl	Country of Origin	Tolerance (%)
Marzipan	41.5%	Germany	± 2%
Icing Sugar	36.5%	UK, Argentina, Belize, Brazil, Costa Rica, El Salvador, Fiji, Guadeloupe, Guatemala, Guyana, Honduras, Jamaica, Malawi, Mozambique, Nicaragua, Reunion, South Africa, Swaziland, Zambia	± 2%
Currants	13%	Greece, South Africa	± 2%
Water White Invert Sugar	5%	Argentina, Belize, Brazil, Costa Rica, El Salvador, Fiji, Guadeloupe, Guatemala, Guyana, Honduras, Jamaica, Malawi, Mozambique, Nicaragua, Reunion, South Africa, Swaziland, Zambia	± 1%
Glucose Syrup	2%	UK	± 0.2%
Shellac	1%	Thailand, India	± 0.2%
Concentrates	<0.5%	The Netherlands	± <0.1%
Invertase	<0.5%	Ireland	± <0.1%

**Ingredient Declaration**

Ingredients: Marzipan (Sugar, **Almonds** (23%), Water), Sugar, Currants (13%), Invert Sugar, Glucose Syrup, Glazing Agent: Shellac; Concentrates: Apple, Carrot, Hibiscus, Molasses, Safflower, Lemon; Stabiliser: Invertase.

**Photograph - Typical example of Individual Unit**

**Hot Cross Bun**





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**Photographs – Typical Examples of Finished Products**

45g Pack (Card)	45g Pack (Acetate)	65g Pack
810g Pack		

**Shelf Life & Storage Conditions**

Maximum Shelf at Packing	300	Days
Minimum Life on Receipt (MLOR)	180	Days
Storage Temperature on Delivery	Ambient	
Storage Instructions	Store in a cool dry place out of direct sunlight	

**Microbiological Standards**

Test	Target	Acceptable	Reject
TVC	<1,000 cfu/g	10,000 cfu/g	>10,000 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	<50 cfu/g	100 cfu/g	>100 cfu/g
Salmonella	Not Detected in 25g	Not Detected in 25g	Not Detected in 25g

**Chemical Standards**

Test	Target	Acceptable	Reject
Water Activity	<0.75	0.83	≥0.84

**Physical Standards**

Parameter	Target	Acceptable	Reject
Foreign Bodies	Absent	Absent	Present

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### Sensory Details

Appearance	As photographs. This product may be subject to fading
Aroma	Sweet, typical almond marzipan with currants odour with no off or rancid notes
Taste	Sweet, typical almond marzipan with currants flavour with no off or rancid tastes
Texture	Soft bite with some resistance

### 45g (Acetate) Packaging

	Primary	Secondary	Tertiary Packaging
Material	43µm Silicone Paper	PVC Cartons with D-Lock base and tuck in lid	Corrugated Cardboard Box
Closure Method	N/A	Clear Adhesive Tab	Brown/Clear Tape

### 45g (Card) Packaging

	Primary	Secondary	Tertiary Packaging
Material	Carton	BY Shrink Wrap	Corrugated Cardboard Box
Closure Method	N/A	Heat Shrink	Brown/Clear Tape

### 65g Packaging

	Primary	Secondary	Tertiary Packaging
Material	43µm Silicone Paper	Clear Lid and Base	Corrugated Cardboard Box
Closure Method	N/A	Clear Adhesive Tab	Brown/Clear Tape

### 810g Packaging

	Primary	Secondary	Tertiary Packaging
Material	43µm Silicone Paper	Greaseproof Paper	White Rigid Cardboard Box
Closure Method	N/A	N/A	Clear Adhesive Tab

### Nutritional Information

Parameter	Per 100g
Energy (kJ)	1731
Energy (Kcal)	411
Protein (g)	6.1
Available Carbohydrates (g)	65.9
Of Which Sugars (g)	64.8
Fat (g)	13.3
Of Which Saturates (g)	1.0
Salt (g)	0.1
Fibre (g)	1.8

Source: Calculated

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Allergens			
Component (and products thereof)	Contains (Repack)	Handled at Shepcote	Comments
Cereals containing gluten	N	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
Crustaceans	N	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Eggs	MC	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Handled on same production line
Fish	N	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Peanuts	N	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
Soybeans	N	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
Milk	N	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
Nuts	Y	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Contains Almonds, may contain other nuts
Celery	N	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
Mustard	N	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
Sesame	N	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
Sulphur Dioxide >10 mg/kg	N	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
Lupin	N	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Molluscs	N	<input type="checkbox"/>	

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

Suitable for	
Vegetarian	No (contains Shellac)
Vegan	No
Kosher (Certified)	No
Halal (Certified)	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 checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Glucose Syrup
Vegetable & Vegetable Derivatives	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Fruit & Vegetable Concentrates
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"/>	Fruit & Vegetable Concentrates, Currants
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 checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Shellac
Added Sugar	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Added Salt	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	

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Component	Contains		Comments
	Yes	No	
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"/>	

Customer		Signature	Date
Name	Position		

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

Shepcote Distributors Ltd			
Name	Position	Signature	Date
J. Junduliene	Quality Manager		04.04.25