

	PRODUCT SPECIFICATION			
PRODUCT INFORMATION				
PRODUCT NAME:	Pitted Dates			
PACK SIZE:	10 Kg or 25 Kg			
BRAND NAME:	Desert Palm			
PRODUCT DESCRIPTION:	Aseel Pitted Dates			
COUNTRY OF MANUFACTURE:	Pakistan			
PRODUCT COMPOSITION TABLE				
Compound Ingredients	% in final product	Additive or Function	Country of Origin	GM status
Dates	100	Ingredient	Pakistan	Non-GM
Total	100			
INGREDIENT DECLARATION				
Ingredients (Legal name)	Dates			
ALLERGEN TABLE				
Component	Contains (Yes/No/May Contain)	Allergen processed on the same equipment	Allergen handled on site	Additional information
Cereals containing GLUTEN and products thereof	No	No	No	
EGGS or its derivatives	No	No	No	
FISH or its derivatives	No	No	No	
CRUSTACEANS / SHELLFISH	No	No	No	
MOLLUSCS	No	No	No	
PEANUTS or derivatives	No	No	No	
SOYA BEANS or derivatives	No	No	No	
MILK (LACTOSE) or its derivatives	No	No	No	
NUTS, tree nuts:	No	No	No	
CELERY, including celeriac and its derivatives	No	No	No	
MUSTARD, referring to all parts of the plant and derivatives thereof	No	No	No	
SESAME SEEDS or derivatives	No	No	No	
SULPHITES >10ppm – Sulphite quantity to be given in ppm	No	No	No	
LUPIN seeds or derivatives	No	No	No	
OTHER FOOD INTOLERANCE TABLE				
Component	Contains (Yes/ No/ May Contain)	Component processed on same equipment	Component used on site	Additional information
Maize & Maize Derivatives	No	No	No	
Fruit & Fruit Derivatives	Yes	Yes	Yes	Dates (Ingredient),
Vegetable & Vegetable Derivatives	No	No	No	
Yeast & Yeast Derivatives	No	No	No	
Seeds, Seed Oil & Seed Derivatives	No	No	No	
Artificial Flavourings, Colours or Preservatives	No	No	No	
Artificial Sweeteners	No	No	No	
Added Sugar	No	No	No	
Added Salt	No	No	No	
Beef, Pork, Lamb & Derivatives	No	No	No	
Gelatine	No	No	No	
Other Animal Derivatives	No	No	No	
Azo and Coal Tar Dyes	No	No	No	
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IRRADIATED AND GENETICALLY MODIFIED MATERIAL			
In compliance with current EU Regulation, with respect to the control and use of genetically modified organisms we confirm this product including all ingredients has not been produced from GMO or does not contain any genetically modified organisms. We do also confirm that, this product has not been treated with ionising radiation and nor does it contain ingredients that have been treated with ionising radiation.			
PHYSICAL PARAMETERS			
Criteria	Maximum or Range		
Date Stones & Pits	MAX 1 Pit per 3000 kg		
Dead infestation or parts thereof			
Absent			
Live Infestation			
Absent			
Foreign Body extrinsic to the product			
Mineral Stones	have the possibility of imbedded mineral stone in fruit which is not detectable by Laser, X-ray and visible with a naked eye. Therefore the possibility of mineral stones in these varieties cannot be ruled out. We do apply all the efforts at procurement stage to lift only sound dates and processing is also done carefully in order to minimize these mineral stones.		
Straw, Stem, leaf ,and etc	Max 1 pcs per Carton		
Hair	1 Per 500kg		
Mouse Dropping	Absent		
Additional Extrinsic Foreign Bodies:			
Hazardous Foreign Matter (Glass, plastic etc....):	Absent		
ORGANOLEPTIC PROPERTIES			
Colour	Light to dark brown		
Colour Variation	Max.20% by count of dates		
Appearance	Good looking, Free flowing		
Torn Skin (Flesh not exposed)	Not more than 10%		
De-shapped	Not more than 10%		
Sugaring	< 1 %		
Flavour & Aroma	Sweet, no bitter flavors and odors		
MICROBIOLOGICAL PARAMETERS			
Criteria	Limit		
Total colony count	<100,000 Cfu/gm		
Coliforms	< 100 Cfu/gm		
Ecoli	<10 cfu/gm		
Salmonella spp	Negative		
Total Mould	< 1000 Cfu/gm		
Total Yeast	< 1000 Cfu/gm		
Enterobacteria	<100 Cfu/gm		
ADDITIONAL PARAMETERS FOR DATES			
Criteria	Limits		
Heavy Metals:			
Lead as PB	< 0.2 mg/kg		
Cadium as CD	< 0.05 mg/kg		
Arsenic as As	< 0.1 mg/kg		
Mercury as HG	< 0.01 mg/kg		
Pesticide Residue:			
Not Detected			
CHEMICAL PROPERTIES			
Criteria	Maximum or Range		
Moisture	13.5 - 18 % Max		
Aflatoxin Total	<4 µg/kg		
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FUMIGATION AND SHIPMENT		
Conventional Dates (NON-ORGANIC) : is fumigated with PH3 gass releasing tablets or Methybromide gas (optional if required by the buyer). Shipment is done in dry container.		
Organic Dates : is fumigated with Carbondioxide (Co2) only and it is always shipped in a reefer container.		
SHELF LIFE AND STORAGE CONDITIONS		
Shelf life :24 months (Under recommended storage conditions)		
Shelf life for opened packaging: 1 month (Under recommended storage conditions)		
Store between +2 and +6 degrees and rotation required to preserve the quality.		
Recommended relative humidity range (%):65% RH Max (Cool, dry place away from direct sunlight)		
Product Durability		
Relevant product is used and traded during the whole year due to its long shelf life. Depending on the storage and packaging conditions and the natural formation of the products they are prone to infestation, moisture reabsorption, colour, texture and taste change due to temperature and relative humidity change during storage & packaging integrity.		
The assessment in order to extend the shelf life of product beyond the best before end date declared on the label is at our customers' own shelf life protocol/testing and sole discretion.		
Sharmeen Foods Pvt. Ltd. accepts no responsibility or liability resulting from the usage of goods beyond the declared shelf life.		
PACKAGING DETAILS		
	Primary Packaging - (Food Contact)	Secondary Packaging- (Outer Case)
Material & Closure:	LDPE & Folded over	Corrogated box & Sellotape
Colour:	Blue or Clear	White & Blue
The integration of the packaging material should not be impaired or damage during transportation, storage and handling of the cardboard boxes. The primary packaging materials (food contact) should be food grade and of sufficient strength and stability complying with EU Regulation.		
The product is a natural product and will undergo a specification review at each specified new crop time.		
This product complies with the EU Regulations		
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