

Product Specification Sheet

Pecan Services SAS - Pecanes del Sur SAS

Category: Premium Pecans – Pecan Halves

1. General Information

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Product Description: Bulk Shelled Pecans (<i>Carya illinoensis</i>) Halves and pieces packaged in 10 Kgs (22 lbs) cartons. Pecan kernel can be from mixed varieties.														
Definitions: Halves: Pecan halves will be an entire pecan kernel with not more than oneeighth of its original volume missing. Foreign Objects: Includes any product that is not kernel and/or shell. Examples of foreign objects are ~ plastic, metal and glass. Lower Grade Kernel: Includes those kernels that would be classified into either the choice or breaking stock grades. <i>Choice:</i> light weight, excessively thin or shrivelled, can be a slightly darker colour. <i>Breaking Stock:</i> either full bodied or light weight, dark amber colour, blotchy or inconsistent														
Net Weight:	10 kg (22 lbs) per box.													
Allergens:	Contains: Tree Nuts													
Country of Origin:	Processed and packed in Argentina.													
GM Status:	No Genetically Modified product is used.													

Labelling:	Labeling on the carton include Product Name, Lot Number, Manufacturing Date and Net weight of the item.												
Shelf Life:	Max 18 months from date of manufacture under recommended storage conditions.												
Storage:	Finished product must be stored in a cool, dry, hygienic place out of direct sunlight, which is free from infestation. Refrigeration at a temperature below of 0°C (32°F) is preferred.												
Packaging:	Primary Package: Product shall be vacuum packed, and heat sealed in 10 kgs clear polyethylene liners. Liners shall also be nitrogen flushed. Secondary Package: The product will be packed in a clean food grade cardboard carton which has been taped shut.												
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2. Nutrition Facts:

Nutrient	Per 100 grs of shelled pecan nuts
Energy (kcal)	716
Energy (kJ)	2996
Available Carbohydrates (g)	9.15
Protein (g)	10.36
Total Fat (g)	70.85
Saturated Fat (g)	5.8
Trans Fat (g)	< 0.10
Dietary Fiber (g)	4.1
Sodium (mg)	3.54
Cholesterol (mg)	< 0.10

3. Vitamins:

Vitamin	Result	Unit
Vitamin B1	1.13	mg/100g
Vitamin B2	0.33	mg/100g
Vitamin B3	1.27	mg/100g
Vitamin B5	1.15	mg/100g
Vitamin B6	0.53	mg/100g
Vitamin B9	<LC=30	µg/100g
Vitamin B12	n/d	
Vitamin E	2.1	mg/100g

4. Microbiological Results:

Test Performed	Result	Unit
Total Coliform Count	< 30	UFC/g
Escherichia Coli	None	in 1g
Thermo tolerant Bacteria	No development seen	NMP/g
Yeast and Mold Count	< 200	UFC/g
Salmonella sp.	None	in 25 g
Staphylococcus aureus	None	UFC/g

5. Physicochemical Qualities

Test Performed	Per 100 grs of shelled pecan nuts
Moisture	4.5 Max
Ash	0.81
Acid Value	0.3 g ac.lactic
Peroxide Index	< 5 mEq/kg

6. Aflatoxin Residue

Aflatoxin	Result
Aflatoxins: B1; B2	Not Detected
Aflatoxins: G1; G2	Not Detected
Total Aflatoxins	Not Detected

7. Organoleptic Specifications

Test Performed	Criteria
Appearance / Size	As per definitions of kernel size
Colour	Light Amber / Amber
Aroma	Characteristic - Fresh and nutty with no objectionable aromas
Flavour	Pleasantly sweet, slightly tart. No Rancid Flavour
Texture	Subtle texture