

PRODUCT SPECIFICATION

Butcher Grind Black Pepper

Description

Black pepper is the dried, unripened fruit of *Piper nigrum*. The round, wrinkled, brownish-black berries have a penetrating, aromatic aroma and a pungent, hot, biting flavor.

General Requirements:

Material and product shall meet all standards for human consumption and conform in every respect to the provisions of the Federal Food, Drug and Cosmetic Act and the general regulations for its enforcement. Material and workmanship shall be of good quality and the product prepared in accordance with good commercial practice under strict sanitary conditions.

Standards

Chemical:

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| 1. Moisture | 12.0% Maximum |
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Physical:

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| 1. Volatile Oil | 1.5% Minimum |
| 2. Particle size | 5% Maximum + US 10
10% Maximum – US 16 |
| 3. Extraneous Material | As free of all extraneous material
as good manufacturing practice allows. |

Storage

Storage shall be under normal warehouse conditions, off the floor and away from walls. The above specification is to be used as a guideline only. Some Product variability is inherent in agricultural based products. Under these conditions, shelf life is estimated to be two years.