

# **Finished Product Specification**

Product code FTPEP-T&E-6X25

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Product Name	Birchall Peppermint 25 Tagged & Enveloped Tea Bags (FT)	
Product description	Birchall Peppermint (Fine cut) 25 Tagged & Enveloped Tea Bags (FT)	
Tea code	HERB/FINE-PEP	
Unit Bar code	5 021418 00421 8	
Case bar code	5 021418 00422 5	

# Ingredients

Ingredients	%	COO
		Bulgaria, Poland, Germany,
		Serbia, USA, Egypt, Turkey,
Peppermint leaves	100	Macedonia, Kazakhstan

## On pack ingredients declaration

Peppermint Leaves (100%)

## Allergens

Allergen	Presence of allergen in product	Declared	Comments
Celery	Not present	N/A	
Cereals containing gluten	Not present	N/A	
Crustaceans	Not present	N/A	
Eggs	Not present	N/A	
Fish	Not present	N/A	
Lupin	Not present	N/A	
Milk/ dairy	Not present	N/A	
Molluscs	Not present	N/A	
Mustard	Not present	N/A	
Nuts	Not present	N/A	Site operates a 'nut free'
Peanuts	Not present	N/A	status
Sesame	Not present	N/A	
Soya	Not present	N/A	
Sulphur dioxide/ Sulphites	Not present	N/A	

Contains

This product contains	Presence of allergen in product	Declared	Comments
Additives	Not present	N/A	
Preservatives	Not present	N/A	
Natural Colours	Not present	N/A	
Artificial Colours	Not present	N/A	
Flavour Enhancers	Not present	N/A	
Sweeteners	Not present	N/A	

HVP (Hydrolysed Vegetable Protein)	Not present	N/A	
Natural Flavouring	Not present	N/A	
Flavouring Substances	Not present	N/A	
Animal Product	Not present	N/A	
Alcohol	Not present	N/A	

# Suitable For

Suitable for	Suitable for	Comments
This product is suitable for Vegetarians	Yes	
This product is suitable for Coeliacs	Yes	
This product is suitable for Vegans	Yes	
This product suitable diabetics	Yes	
This product suitable for Kosher diet	Yes - Not certified	
This product suitable for Halal diet	Yes - Not certified	

#### **Sustainability Certification**

Sustainability Certification	Status	Comments
Rain Forest Alliance Certified	No	
Fair Trade Certified	Yes	
Organic certified	No	

#### **Weight Information**

Net weight of tea in bag (g)	2g
Net weight of unit (g)	50g
Gross weight of unit (g)	104g
No. units per a case	6
Gross weight of unit (Kg)	736g

#### **Nutritional Information**

Nutrient	Per 100ml of infusion	Per a portion (1 tea bag per 200ml)	Method
Energy (kJ)	3.5	7.0	Calculated
Energy (kcal)	1.0	2.0	Calculated
Protein (g)	0.0	0.0	Calculated
Fat (g)	0.0	0.0	Calculated
Of which saturates (g)	0.0	0.0	Calculated
Carbohydrate (g)	<0.5	<0.5	Calculated
Sugar (g)	<0.5	<0.5	Calculated
Sodium (mg)	0.0	0.0	Calculated
Salt (g)	0.0	0.0	Calculated

NB: Camellia sinensis, Herbal and fruit infusions are exempt from mandatory nutritional labelling according to Regulation(EU)No 1169/2011

#### **Microbiological Standards**

Microbiological Test	Target	Unacceptable	Method & Frequency
			UKAS accredited method/
Aerobic Plate Count	<1.0E+7 cfu/g	>1.0E+7 cfu/g	Based on risk assessment
			UKAS accredited method/
Yeasts	<1.0E+5 cfu/g	>1.0E+5 cfu/g	Based on risk assessment
			UKAS accredited method/
Moulds	<1.0E+5 cfu/g	>1.0E+5 cfu/g	Based on risk assessment
			UKAS accredited method/
E.Coli	<1.0E+3 cfu/g	>1.0E+3 cfu/g	Based on risk assessment
			UKAS accredited method/
Salmonella Spp.	Absent in 125g	Present in 125g	Based on risk assessment

# **Chemical Standards**

Chemical Test	Target	Unacceptable	Method & Frequency	
			UKAS accredited method/	
Moisture	<15%	>15%	Based on risk assessment	
			UKAS accredited method/	
Metal Cadmium (Cd)	Max 1.0 mg / kg	>1.0 mg / kg	Based on risk assessment	
			UKAS accredited method/	
Lead (Pb)	Max 5.0 mg /kg	>5.0 mg /kg	Based on risk assessment	
Aflatoxin B1	Max 2		UKAS accredited method/	
	μg / kg	>2 µg /kg	Based on risk assessment	
			UKAS accredited method/	
Aflatoxin B1, B2, G1, G2 (as sum)	Max 4 µg / kg	>4 µg /kg	Based on risk assessment	
	Within UK & EU legislation	Out of UK & EU legislation	Based on risk assessment	
Pesticides	limits	limits	/UKAS accredited method	
Storage Instructions				
Storage Instructions	Keep sealed in a dry, ambig	ent, environment away from	direct sunlight and strong	
	odours			
Total Shelf life	3 Years from date of pack	3 Years from date of pack		
Minimum Life on Delivery	6 Months			
Shelf Life once opened, if stored as	We recommend 3 months	We recommend 3 months from date of opening for the tea to be at its best or until		
per storage instructions	displayed date code, which ever is shorter.			

#### **Packaging Information**

Component	Material	<b>Recyclable/ Compostable</b>
Tea paper	Abaca & cellulosic fibres	Industrially compostable
Yarn	Cotton	Compostable
Тад	Paper	Recyclable
Envelope	Paper & NatureFlex TM NK (Derived from wood pulp)	Industrially compostable
Printed carton	Virgin Fibre Board (Derived from wood pulp)	Recyclable
Outer case	Cardboard/Derived from wood pulp	Recyclable
Outer case Label	Paper	Recyclable / Compostable

Unit Dimensions (cm)	8X7X14	
Case Dimensions (cm)	9X44X15.5	
Coding Information		
Product code method	Printed date code and batch details or applied label with printed date and batch	
	details	
Product code location	At the bottom of the unit / on side	
Traceability code	Batch number or B/N	
Coding example	BBE: 05/2022	

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