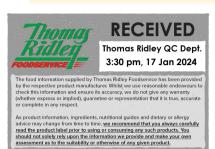
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DESCRIPTION





Legal name Quick-frozen Sliced apples

Latin name Malus domestica

Origin

Quick-frozen apple slices are prepared from fresh, clean, sound apples by processing and Process description

freezing in accordance with good manufacturing and commercial practices. Fresh apples are peeled, sliced and dipped in a solution of Ascorbic Acid, Citric Acid and Salt to prevent browning prior to the freezing. The freezing process shell ensure stability of colour and flavour and product temperature shall be lower than -18° C after thermal stabilisation.

Thickness of Slice: 10-20mm at thickest point Cut size

Length of Slice: 40-80mm at longest point

Ingredient declaration Apples 100%

Organoleptic			
Appearance	The colour should be clean, slightly translucent typical of fresh cut apple, and should not exhibit browning due to oxidisation even after thawing.		
Aroma	Pleasant aroma normally expected of ripe apples with no off taints present.		
Flavour	Clean, delicate, natural flavour of apple, with no off flavours present.		
Texture	On thawing all slices should be uniformly firm and crisp, slightly soft with minimal juice.		

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MICROBIOLOGICAL STANDARDS (cfu/g)

	MAXIMUM
Total Viable Count	500,000
Coliforms	1,000
E. coli	50
Yeast	50,000
Moulds	10,000
Listeria monocytogenes	100
Salmonella	absent/25g

AVERAGE NUTRITIONAL VALUES

	per 100 g	unit	% RI*	RI*
Energy	217	kJ	3%	8400
Energy	51	kcal	3%	2000
Fat	0.1	g	< 1%	70
of which saturates	0.00	g	< 1%	20
Carbohydrate	11.5	g	4%	260
of which sugars	10.1	g	11%	90
Fibre	1.3	g	5%	24
Protein	0.3	g	1%	50
Salt	0.10	g	2%	6

^{*}Reference intake of an average adult (8400 kJ / 2000 kcal)

Source	Based on Nutricalc Neo Software v.37 (cf. McCance & Widdowson 7th Edition)

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ALLERGEN INFORMATION

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Allergens according to the EU Regulation 1169/2011 and its modifications:			
	Product contains (+) or is free from (-)		
Gluten from cereals: wheat, rye, barley, oats, spelt, kamut or their	or is nee nom ()		
hybridised strains, and products thereof; except: 1/ wheat based glucose			
syrups including dextrose, 2/ wheat based maltodextrins, 3/ glucose syrups based	-		
on barley, 4/ cereals used for making alcoholic distillates including ethyl alcohol of			
agricultural origin.			
crustaceans and products thereof	-		
eggs and products thereof	-		
fish and products thereof; except: 1/ fish gelatine used as carrier for vitamin or carotenoid preparations, 2/ fish gelatine or Isinglass used as fining agent in beer	_		
and wine			
peanuts and products thereof	-		
soybeans and products thereof; except: 1/ fully refined soybean oil and fat,			
2/ natural mixed tocopherols (E306), natural D-alpha tocopherol, natural D-alpha			
tocopherol acetate, natural D-alpha tocopherol succinate from soybean sources, 3/ vegetable oils derived phytosterols and phytosterol esters from soybeans sources,	-		
4/ plant stanol ester produced from vegetable oil sterols from soybean sources			
milk and products thereof (including lactose); except: 1/ whey used for			
making alcoholic distillates including ethyl alcohol of agricultural origin, 2/ lactitol	-		
nuts i.e. almonds, hazelnuts, walnuts, cashews, pecan nuts, brazil			
nuts, pistachio nuts, macadamia nuts and queensland nuts and			
products thereof; except: nuts used for making alcoholic distillates including	-		
ethyl alcohol of agricultural origin			
celery and products thereof	-		
mustard and products thereof	-		
sesame seeds and products thereof	-		
sulphur dioxide and sulphites at concentrations of more than 10	_		
mg/kg or 10 mg/litre expressed as SO ₂			
lupin and products thereof	-		
molluscs and products thereof	-		
Other allergens (according to LeDa-list):			
	Product contains (+)		
D (or is free from (-)		
Beef	-		
Pork Chicken	<u>-</u>		
Corn/Maize	<u>-</u>		
Cacao	_		
Legumes/pulses	-		
Glutamate	-		
Coriander	-		
Carrot	-		

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Free from:	
	Product contains (+)
	or is free from (-)
Oil refined to SCOPA std	-
Oil not refined to SCOPA std	-
Maize/Corn & derivates	-
Rice & rice derivates	-
Spices & spice extracts	-
Herbs & herb extracts	-
Yeast & Yeast extract	-
Fruit & Fruit Derivatives	+
Vegetable & Vegetable Derivatives	-
Leguminous Plants	-
Other:	
	Product contains (+)
	or is free from (-)
Additives	+
Natural Colours	-
Artificial Colours	-
Azo Dyes	-
Natural Flavourings	-
Flavouring Substances	-
Flavour Enhancers	-
MSG	-
Artificial Preservatives	-
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BHT	-
Emulsifiers	-
Stabilisers	-
Artificial Sweeteners	-
Sugar	-
Molasses	-
Maltodextrin	-
Salt	+
Salt Substitutes	-
Irradiated Ingredients	-
Genetically Modified Material	-

Suitable for			
	Yes	No	Remark
Kosher		V	not certified
Halal		V	not certified
Coeliacs	V		
Diabetics	V		
Lactose intolerant	V		
Vegetarians	V		
Ovo-lacto vegetarians	V		
Vegans	V		
Nut/seed allergy	V		

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DEFECTS

DEFINITIONS

Foreign Matter (FM): Any matter of non-vegetable origin such as stones, soil, insect, wood, metal, plastic, and any toxic vegetation or anything which will render the product unacceptable.	Colour Variants: These are apple slices which are conspicuously different in colour from the natural colour of the variety.	
Foreign Extraneous Vegetable Matter (FEVM): Any vegetable matter not originating from the plant and which is non-toxic.	Damaged : These are slices that are less than 75% complete.	
Extraneous Vegetable Matter (EVM): Any vegetable material originating from the plant, but excluding the fruit.	Undersize: Pieces less than 40mm in length or less than 10mm in width.	200
Major Blemish: Any discolouration, insect infestation, or rotten area greater than 33% of the apple slice.	Minor Blemish: Any discolouration, insect infestation or rotten area between 20% and 30% on the apple slice.	

NOMINAL SIZE

	TOLERANCE
Thickness of Slice:	10-20mm at thickest point
Length of Slice:	40-80mm at longest point

TOLERANCES

Assessed on a 1000g sample (Frozen)		
FM	0	
FEVM	0	
EVM	2	
Colour variants - No.	2	
Major Blemish - No.	2	
Total Blemishes - No.	4	
Undersize (%w/w)	10%	
Oversize (%w/w)	10%	
Damaged (%w/w)	7%	
Seeds - No.	5	
Peel (>1cm2) - No.	1	

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PACKAGING		
Net weight	10kg	
Pack Type	10x1kg	
Packaging	LDPE bag in cardboard box	
Inner Packaging	250x300mm	
Outer Packaging	385x255x205mm	
Palletisation	9 cardboard boxes / layer	
	63 cardboard boxes / pallet	
Pallet	White Euro pallet	
Lot number	XXYYDDD: where XX relates to factory code, YY is the year, DDD is the Julian date code	
Best Before	30 months	
Minimum Shelf Life on delivery	100 days	
Storage conditions	Keep frozen at -18°C or below	
Storage Defrosted	Keep refrigerated and use within 24 hours.	

Inner pack coding



Outer case coding





Inner packaging



RECOMMENDED USE

Defrost: Remove frozen fruit from all packaging and place on serving plate. Defrost thoroughly for a minimum of 21/2 hours at room temperature or for a minimum of 12 hours in the refrigerator. Keep refrigerated once defrosted. Use within 24 hours.

Cook from frozen. Prepare as fresh with reduced cooking time. Ensure the product is piping hot before serving. Add spices to your own taste.

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WARRANTY

We warrant that this product, intended for food use will meet the requirements of Acts, Regulations and Orders applicable in the United Kingdom relating to the goods supplied, including but not necessarily limited to the following:

The Food Safety Act 1990 and all relevant Regulations and their amendments.

The Food Hygiene (England) Regulations 2006 and all relevant amendments.

The Materials and Articles in Contact with Food (England) Regulations 2005 and all relevant amendments.

All regulations made as a result of the requirements of European Union Directives and Regulations.

GENERAL STATEMENTS		
Pesticides	in accordance with EC regulation 396/2005 and its modifications	
Heavy metals, mycotoxins and	in accordance with EC regulation 1881/2006 and its modifications	
nitrates		
GMO	the product is free from gmo, according to the EC regulations 1829/2003 and 1830/2003 and	

APPROVAL

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Remarks:		

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Minimum shelf life on delivery updated	16/10/2020
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