

# Finished Product Specification

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| Product code | BD-T&E-250 |
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| Date issued         | 04/03/2025                                                 |
| Version Number      | 3                                                          |
| Product Name        | Birchall Decaffeinated Tea 250 Tagged & Enveloped Tea Bags |
| Product description | Birchall Decaffeinated Tea 250 Tagged & Enveloped Tea Bags |
| Tea code            | CAT01DECAF (CAT01PR/PF1)                                   |
| Unit Bar code       | N/A                                                        |
| Case bar code       | 5 021418 00448 5                                           |

## Ingredients

| Ingredients                                 | %     | COO           |
|---------------------------------------------|-------|---------------|
| Black Tea (Caffeine content less than 0.2%) | 100.0 | Rwanda/ Kenya |
|                                             | 0.0   |               |
|                                             | 0.0   |               |
|                                             | 0.0   |               |
|                                             | 0.0   |               |
|                                             | 0.0   |               |
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|---------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------|
| On pack ingredients declaration | Black Tea (100%) (Caffeine content less than 0.2%) |
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## 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' status |
| Peanuts                    | Not present                     | N/A      |                                   |
| 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 | Yes    |          |
| Fair Trade Certified           | No     |          |
| Organic certified              | No     |          |

#### Weight Information

|                                |         |
|--------------------------------|---------|
| Net weight of tea in bag (g)   | 2.5g    |
| Net weight of unit (g)         | 625g    |
| Gross weight of unit (g)       | 4g      |
| No. units per a case           | 1       |
| Gross weight of case (g or Kg) | 1.125kg |

#### Nutritional Information

| Nutrient               | Per 100ml of infusion | Per a portion<br>(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                                  |
|----------------------|----------------|-----------------|-----------------------------------------------------|
| E.coli               | <1.0E+2 cfu/g  | >1.0E+2 cfu/g   | UKAS accredited method/<br>Based on risk assessment |
| Salmonella spp.      | Absent in 125g | Present in 125g | UKAS accredited method/<br>Based on risk assessment |
| Yeast                | <1.0E+4 cfu/g  | >1.0E+4 cfu/g   | UKAS accredited method/<br>Based on risk assessment |
| Mould                | <1.0E+5 cfu/g  | >1.0E+5 cfu/g   | UKAS accredited method/<br>Based on risk assessment |
| Aerobic Plate Count  | <1.0E+7 cfu/g  | >1.0E+7 cfu/g   | UKAS accredited method/<br>Based on risk assessment |

## Chemical Standards

| Chemical Test                     | Target                               | Unacceptable                         | Method & Frequency                                  |
|-----------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------|
| Moisture                          | <8%                                  | >8%                                  | UKAS accredited method/<br>Based on risk assessment |
| Metal Cadmium (Cd)                | Max 1.0 mg / kg                      | >1.0 mg / kg                         | UKAS accredited method/<br>Based on risk assessment |
| Lead (Pb)                         | Max 5.0 mg /kg                       | >5.0 mg /kg                          | UKAS accredited method/<br>Based on risk assessment |
| Aflatoxin B1<br>☐                 | Max 2<br>µg / kg☐                    | >2 µg /kg☐                           | UKAS accredited method/<br>Based on risk assessment |
| Aflatoxin B1, B2, G1, G2 (as sum) | Max 4 µg / kg                        | >4 µg /kg                            | UKAS accredited method/<br>Based on risk assessment |
| Pesticides                        | Within UK & EU legislation<br>limits | Out of UK & EU legislation<br>limits | Based on risk assessment<br>/UKAS accredited method |

## Storage Instructions

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|---------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Storage Instructions                                          | Keep sealed in a dry, ambient, environment away from direct sunlight and strong odours                                        |
| Total Shelf life                                              | 3 Years from date of pack                                                                                                     |
| Minimum Life on Delivery                                      | 6 Months                                                                                                                      |
| Shelf life once opened, if stored as per storage instructions | We recommend 3 months from date of opening for the tea to be at its best or until displayed date code, which ever is shorter. |

## Packaging Information

| Component  | Material                             | Recyclable/ Compostable  |
|------------|--------------------------------------|--------------------------|
| Tea paper  | Abaca & cellulosic fibres            | Industrially compostable |
| Yarn       | Cotton                               | Compostable              |
| Tag        | Paper                                | Recyclable               |
| Envelope   | Kraft Paper (Derived from wood pulp) | Recyclable               |
| Outer case | Cardboard/Derived from wood pulp     | Recyclable               |
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| Unit Dimensions (cm) | N/A          |
| Case Dimensions (cm) | 15X17.5X25.5 |

## Coding Information

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|-----------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| 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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