



# Western Commodities Limited

## Organic Deglet Noor Chopped Dates

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### 1.0 SUPPLIER DETAILS

|                                |  |
|--------------------------------|--|
| <b>SUPPLIER NAME / ADDRESS</b> | WESTERN COMMODITIES LTD<br>UNIT 13 SOUTH VIEW ESTATE<br>WILLAND<br>CULLOMPTON<br>DEVON<br>EX15 2QW |
| <b>TELEPHONE NUMBER</b>        | (01884) 821069   |
| <b>FAX NUMBER</b>              | (01884) 822858   |

### 2.0 RAW MATERIAL DETAILS

|  |  |                               |   |
|--|--|-------------------------------|---|
| <b>RAW MATERIAL NAME</b>   | Deglet Noor Chopped Dates  |                               |   |
| <b>LEGAL NAME</b>  | Deglet Noor Chopped Dates  |                               |   |
| <b>RAW MATERIAL DESCRIPTION</b>  | Deglet Noor Chopped Dates  |                               |   |
| <b>GRADE</b>   | UK chopped macerated Dates.  |                               |   |
| <b>GRADE DICE</b>  | NOMINALLY 6-12MM (SINGLE DICED)<br><i>(NOTE - DICE SIZE VARY AS FRUIT FALLS RANDOMLY THROUGH BLADES, THEREFORE UP TO 15% OVERSIZE / UNDERSIZE MAY BE EXPECTED)</i> |                               |   |
| <b>VARIETY &amp; SPECIES</b>   | Phoenix Dactylifera Variety  |                               |   |
| <b>ORGANIC CERTIFICATION BODY AND CERTIFICATION NUMBER (If applicable)</b> | Organic Farmers & Growers GB-ORG-02  |                               |   |
| <b>FULL LEGAL INGREDIENT DECLARATION</b>                                   | DATES, RICE FLOUR  |                               |   |
| <b>INGREDIENTS IN DESCENDING ORDER</b>                                     | <b>% COMPOSITION</b>   | <b>COUNTRY OF MANUFACTURE</b> | <b>COUNTRY OF ORIGIN</b>  |
| DATES  | 95% (+/-2%)  | UK                            | Tunisia   |
| RICE FLOUR   | 5% (+/-2)  | FRANCE                        | Cambodia, Egypt, India, Portugal, Burma, Puerto Rico, Spain, South America (Brazil, Guyana, Paraguay, Uruguay), Thailand. |

### 3.0 PACKAGING

|  |   |                               |                                |
|--|---|-------------------------------|--------------------------------|
| <b>UNIT SIZE</b>   | 12.5Kg  |                               |                                |
| <b>NUMBER PER OUTER</b>  | 1   |                               |                                |
| <b>NUMBER PER PALLET</b>   | 80  |                               |                                |
| <b>PACKAGING FORMAT</b>  | Food Grade blue liner inner with double walled, corrugated cardboard outer.                   |                               |                                |
| <b>PACKAGING MATERIALS</b>   | Blue tint polythene, food grade, medium density polythene.                                    |                               |                                |
| <b>PACKAGING DIMENSIONS</b>  | <b>Liner</b>  | 737 x 610mm                   | <b>Outer</b> 390 x 280 x 180mm |
| <b>TOTAL SHELF LIFE</b>  | 12 months   | <b>SHELF LIFE ON DELIVERY</b> | 9 months                       |
|  |   | <b>SHELF LIFE ONCE OPENED</b> | Subject to storage             |
| <b>RECOMMENDED STORAGE CONDITIONS</b>  | Ambient, Dry environment  |                               |                                |
| <b>PACKED IN A PROTECTIVE ATMOSPHERE (GAS FLUSHED)?</b>                        | NO  | <b>TYPE OF GAS:</b>           | N/A                            |
| <b>WHICH OF THE FOLLOWING IS CONTAINED ON THE END CASE LABEL UPON DELIVERY</b> |   |                               |                                |
| <b>PRODUCT NAME AND SIZE</b>   | YES   | <b>NET WEIGHT</b>             | YES                            |
| <b>PRODUCT CODE</b>  | YES   | <b>STORAGE CONDITIONS</b>     | YES                            |
| <b>TRACEABILITY</b>  | YES   | <b>METAL DETECTED</b>         | YES                            |
| <b>DATE OF PRODUCTION</b>  | YES   | <b>NUT DECLARATION</b>        | NO                             |
| <b>PRODUCTION CODE</b>   | LABEL INCLUDES TRACEABILITY PURCHASE REFERENCE AND BEST BEFORE DATE BASED ON PRODUCTION DATE. |                               |                                |

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### 4.0 FINISHED PRODUCT NUTRITIONAL STANDARDS

| FINISHED PRODUCT NUTRITIONAL STANDARDS | TYPICAL VALUES /100G | METHOD OF DETERMINATION: analysis or published data (add the method for each) | FREQUENCY (If analytical) | SOURCE OF PUBLISHED DATA OR LABORATORY (INCL. LAB REF).                                      |
|--|----------------------|---|---------------------------|--|
| Energy kJ                              | 1002                 | Published data  |                           | McCance and Widdowson's Composition of Foods Integrated Dataset 2019<br><br>Food Code:14-394 |
| Energy kcal                            | 235                  | Published data  |                           |  |
| Protein g                              | 2.4                  | Published data  |                           |  |
| Available Carbohydrate g               | 58.7                 | Published data  |                           |  |
| Total Sugars g                         | 58.0                 | Published data  |                           |  |
| Added Sugar                            | 0                    | Published data  |                           |  |
| Fat g                                  | 0.6                  | Published data  |                           |  |
| Of which Saturates                     | 0.3                  | Published data  |                           |  |
| Of which are Monounsaturated           | 0.3                  | Published data  |                           |  |
| Of which are Polyunsaturated           | Trace                | Published data  |                           |  |
| Fibre (AOAC) g                         | 7.5                  | Published data  |                           |  |
| Sodium mg                              | 11                   | Published data  |                           |  |

### 5.0 FINISHED PRODUCT QUALITY ASSURANCE ORGANOLEPTIC ASSESSMENT

|            |   |
|------------|---|
| APPEARANCE | Medium brown pieces of chopped date, irregular cut, dusted with rice flour to aid free flowing nature of the product. |
| TASTE      | Sweet. Intensity of flavour increases towards the end of the season   |
| TEXTURE    | Firm – product is softer when freshly processed but does harden after a while within shelf-life parameters.           |
| ODOUR      | Typical of date with no uncharacteristic aromas   |

### 6.0 PHYSICAL PRODUCT PARAMETERS:

#### 6.1 PHYSICAL FINISHED PRODUCT TESTS CRITICAL TO PRODUCT

| Type  | TARGET | TOLERANCE | FREQUENCY  | METHOD     |
|---|--------|-----------|------------|------------|
| Pits  | 0      | 3         | PER TONNE  | INSPECTION |
| N.B Dates will naturally have approximately 250,000 pits per tonne, although we try to ensure that there are no pits, this cannot be guaranteed. We allow a tolerance of 3 pits per MT of chopped dates as the likelihood is if one pits gets through it will be cut into 3 by our process. |        |           |            |            |
| Size (oversize/undersize pieces)  | <10%   | <15%      | PER TONNE  | INSPECTION |
| Mineral Stones  | 0      | 3         | PER TONNE  | INSPECTION |
| EVM (Calyx, stalk, leaves etc)  | 0      | 2         | PER CARTON | INSPECTION |

#### 6.2 CHEMICAL PRODUCT PARAMETERS:

| CHEMICAL FINISHED PRODUCT TESTS CRITICAL TO PRODUCT | TARGET | TOLERANCE | FREQUENCY  | METHOD       |
|---|--------|-----------|------------|--------------|
| Moisture  | 15 %   | 12-18%    | EACH BATCH | Precisa XM60 |
| Available Water                                     | 0.60   | <0.68     | EACH BATCH | Novasina     |

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### 6.3 MICROBIOLOGICAL PRODUCT PARAMETERS

| FINISHED PRODUCT MICRO STANDARDS | TARGET          |
|----------------------------------|-----------------|
| TVC                              | < 100,000 cfu/g |
| E Coli                           | < 20 cfu/g      |
| Yeasts                           | < 1000 cfu/g    |
| Moulds                           | < 1000 cfu/g    |
| Staph Aureus                     | < 20 cfu/g      |
| B. Cereus                        | <1000 cfu/g     |
| Salmonella                       | Absent / 25g    |
| Coliforms                        | <100 cfu/g      |
| Enterobacteriaceae               | <100 cfu/g      |

### 7.0 IN-PROCESS CHECKS

#### 7.1 CHECKWEIGHING

| METHOD OF WEIGHING   | Minimum Weight, Calibrated Scales |               |                    |
|----------------------|-----------------------------------|---------------|--------------------|
| CHECKWEIGHING LIMITS | MINIMUM WEIGHT                    | TARGET WEIGHT | UPPER WEIGHT LIMIT |
|                      | 12.5 kg                           | 12.5Kg        | 12.8Kg             |

#### 7.2 METAL DETECTION

| DETECTABLE TOLERANCES              | FERROUS  | 0.8 MM | NON-FERROUS | 0.8 MM | STAINLESS STEEL | 1.2 MM |
|------------------------------------|--|--------|-------------|--------|-----------------|--------|
| FREQUENCY TESTED DURING PRODUCTION | AT START UP, HOURLY DURING PRODUCTION AND AT END OF PRODUCTION |        |             |        |                 |        |

### 8.0 SPECIFIC TESTING REQUIREMENTS

#### 8.1 PESTICIDES & MYCOTOXINS

| PESTICIDES                               | MAXIMUM RESIDUAL LEVELS (MRL'S) | FREQUENCY OF TESTING |
|--|---------------------------------|----------------------|
| Pesticides of PAP1 group                 | < EU-RML                        | Annually             |
| Inorganic Bromide                        | 4 mg/kg                         | Annually             |
| Aflatoxin B1                             | 2mg/kg                          | Annually by supplier |
| Aflatoxin Total (Sum of B1, B2, G1 & G2) | 4 mg/kg                         | Annually by supplier |
| Ochratoxin A                             | 2mg/kg                          | Annually by supplier |

#### 8.2 HEAVY METALS

| HEAVY METALS | MAXIMUM RESIDUAL LEVELS (MRL'S) | FREQUENCY OF TESTING |
|--------------|---------------------------------|----------------------|
| Lead (Pb)    | <0.05 mg/kg                     | Annually             |
| Cadmium (Cd) | <0.01 mg/kg                     | Annually             |

#### 8.3 IRRADIATION

|   |    |
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| Has the product been treated with ionizing radiation? | NO |
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### 9.0 LABORATORY TESTING AND PRODUCT RELEASE

#### 9.1 LABORATORY

| LABORATORIES USED FOR TESTING | TYPE OF TESTING | STATE ACCREDITATION SCHEME |
|-------------------------------|-----------------|----------------------------|
| Various                       | Micro           | UKAS                       |

#### 9.2 POSITIVE RELEASE

|  |     |  |
|--|-----|--|
| <b>Product Positively released prior to delivery</b>   | YES | Physical assessment of each pallet conducted before release. |
| <b>Certificate of Conformance provided by supplier</b> | YES | With each batch when requested.                              |

### 10.0 FREE FROM INFORMATION

It is vitally important that the information is correct and that no unauthorised changes are made to ingredients or recipes. The information on this page will be used without reservation to provide information to consumers on special diets or who suffer severe and potentially fatal allergic reactions to very small quantities of nuts or nut oils (anaphylactic reactions) or ingredients as well as for food content information.

| Is the product free from?   | Yes / No | State ingredient | If not in product, used within same factory? | If used in factory, is there adequate segregation? |
|---|----------|------------------|--|--|
| <b>Nuts and Nut derivatives – due to possible cross contamination from use on site</b><br>Free from means absolute absence of all nut products, including oils and sources of nut derivatives   | YES      |                  | Yes  | Completely segregated storage and processing       |
| <b>Sesame seeds and derivatives – due to possible cross contamination from use on site</b><br>Free from means absolute absence of seeds, oils and derivatives (including Sesame seeds)  | YES      |                  |  |  |
| <b>Milk and Milk Derivatives</b><br>Free from means absolute absence from Milk (Cow, Goat, Sheep or other animal); Milk solids and non-fat solids; Whey, Hydrolysed Whey protein and caesinates.  | YES      |                  |  |  |
| <b>Egg and Egg Derivatives</b><br>Free from means absolute absence of fresh / dried egg; egg albumen; egg lecithin and egg yolk.  | YES      |                  |  |  |
| <b>Wheat and Wheat Derivatives</b><br>Free from means absolute absence of Wheat flour; Wheat germ; Wheat germ oil; Wheat bran; Wheat gluten; Wheat thickener, Semolina, Whole wheat, Wheat starch; Hydrolysed Wheat protein; Rusk and all derivatives (including Dextrose, Starch and Malt dextrose). | YES      |                  |  |  |
| <b>Gluten</b><br>Free from means absolute absence of protein derived from Wheat; Wheat derivatives; Rye; Rye derivatives; Barley Protein; Barley derivatives; Oat Protein; Oat derivatives  | YES      |                  |  |  |
| <b>Glutamates</b><br>Free from E620, E621, E622, E623   | YES      |                  |  |  |
| <b>Soya and Soya Derivatives</b><br>Free from means absolute absence of Soya; Soya beans; Soya protein products (Flour, Milk and Tofu); Soya derives Lecithin E322; Hydrolysed Soya Protein; Soya based flavours, emulsifiers and stabilizers.  | YES      |                  |  |  |
| <b>Mustard</b><br>Free from means absolute absence of Mustard and Mustard seed derivatives  | YES      |                  |  |  |

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| Is the product free from?   | Yes / No | State ingredient | If not in product, used within same factory? | If used in factory, is there adequate segregation? |
|---|----------|------------------|--|--|
| <b>Celery, Celeriac</b><br>Free from means absolute absence of Celery and Celeriac and their derivatives  | YES      |                  |  |  |
| <b>Fruit and Fruit Derivatives</b><br>Free from means absolute absence of Fruit and Fruit derivatives (including Kiwi)  | NO       | DATES            |  |  |
| <b>Yeast and Yeast Derivatives</b><br>Free from means absolute absence of Yeast and Yeast derivatives   | YES      |                  |  |  |
| <b>Vegetables and Vegetable Derivatives</b><br>Free from means absolute absence of Vegetables and Vegetable derivatives   | YES      |                  |  |  |
| <b>Fish Excluding Shellfish</b><br>Free from means absolute absence of fish, fish derivatives (including oils)  | YES      |                  |  |  |
| <b>Crustaceans, Molluscs and their Derivatives</b><br>Free from means absolute absence of seafood, seafood derivatives (including oils)   | YES      |                  |  |  |
| <b>Alcohol</b><br>Free from means absolute absence of alcohol   | YES      |                  |  |  |
| <b>Hydrolysed Vegetable Protein</b><br>State if derived from acid hydrolysis and a source of vegetable protein  | YES      |                  |  |  |
| <b>Meat and Meat Derivatives</b><br>Free from means absolute absence of all meat and meat derivatives including stocks; meat extract; gelatin; fat; blood; meat extract derived additives and meat extract used as a processing aid e.g. food machine lubricants. | YES      |                  |  |  |
| <b>Sulphur dioxide and sulphites</b><br>State if the concentration is greater than 10mg/kg or 10 mg/l expressed as SO <sub>2</sub> . This includes any 'naturally' occurring levels present.  | YES      |                  | YES  | YES  |
| <b>Lupin (Lupin Flour)</b><br>Free from means absolute absence of lupin and its derivatives.  | YES      |                  |  |  |

### 10.1 Special Dietary Information

| Is the product suitable for      | Yes / No | Detail        |
|----------------------------------|----------|---------------|
| Ovo – lacto vegetarians          | YES      |               |
| Vegans                           | YES      |               |
| Kosher Diets                     | YES      | CERTIFIED     |
| Halal Diets                      | YES      | NOT CERTIFIED |
| Coeliac                          | YES      |               |
| Lactose Intolerant               | YES      |               |
| Nut and sesame allergy sufferers | YES      |               |

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### 11.0 NUT ASSESSMENT


(For the purpose of this assessment – Nuts = Almonds / Brazil / Cashew / Chestnuts / Cobnuts / Hazelnuts / Macadamia / Peanuts / Pecans / Pistachio / Queensland / Walnuts + all associated nut oils + including nuts / oil used in compound ingredients / processing aids).

|  | Yes | No | Comments (State nut types implicated)        |
|--|-----|----|--|
| This product is nut free   | YES |    |  |
| This product is packed on a nut free line  | YES |    |  |
| This product is packed in a nut free factory   |     | NO |  |
| Nut processing is completed in a segregated area of the factory with appropriate controls in place | YES |    | Nuts processed in separate unit on same site |

### 12.0 GENETICALLY MODIFIED ORGANISMS

|   |  |                           |
|---|--|---------------------------|
| 1. Does the product or any of its ingredients contain any Genetically Modified Material – Whether viable or not?  | NO   |                           |
| 2. Is the product or any of its ingredients produced from, but not containing, any Genetically Modified Material – Whether Viable?  | NO   |                           |
| 3. Has the product or any of its ingredients been significantly changed as a consequence of the use or Genetic Modification?  | NO   |                           |
| 4. Have Genetically Modified Organisms been used as processing aids or additives to produce processing aids or additives used in conjunction with the production of the food or any of its ingredients?   | NO   |                           |
| <b>GM STATUS CONTINUED - DOES THE PRODUCT CONTAIN ANY OF THE FOLLOWING INGREDIENTS</b>  |  |                           |
| <b>5. IS THE INGREDIENT SOURCED FROM SOYA?</b><br>Soya Flour/ Soya Milk / Tofu/ Bean Curds/ Soya Curds/ Soy extracts/ Tempeh/<br>Soya Grits/ Soya Fibre/ Soya Protein Isolate / Concentrates<br>Soya Lecithin / Soya Oil/ Soy Sauce/ Black Bean Sauce<br>Textured Vegetable Protein / Hydrolysed Vegetable Protein/ Miso  | NO   |                           |
| <b>6. IS THE INGREDIENT SOURCED FROM MAIZE?</b><br>Maize Flour / Maize Gluten/ Maize Grits/ Maize / Maize Starch<br>Glycerides / Maize Oil/ Corn Oil/Modified Maize Starch/ Corn Syrup/ Corn gluten/ Corn grits/ Corn Syrup Solids/<br>Corn Fibre/ Sweetcorn/ Maltodextrins / Glucose Syrup / Glucose / Dextrin /Dextrose / Fructose / Xanthan Gum /<br>Monosodium Glutamate / Citric Acid / Sodium Citrate / Ascorbic Acid / Ascorbates / Caramel (From Glucose Syrup)/ Aspartame/ Caramel/ Ethanol/ Hemicellulase/ Isoglucose/ Lactic Acid/ Masa Flour/ Polenta/<br>Polydextrose/ Polyols/ Sorbitol / Citrates/ Glucono delta lactone/<br><br><ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>o IF FROM SOYA / MAIZE IS THE PRODUCT PRODUCED FROM NON GM / IP CROP?</li> <li>o WHO IS THE SUPPLIER AND WHAT IS THE ORIGIN OF THE MATERIAL?</li> <li>o HAS THE SUPPLIER/ MANUFACTURER BEEN ASSESSED BY A 3<sup>RD</sup> PARTY ASSESSOR IN RELATION TO NON GM / IP STATUS?</li> <li>o HAS THE SUPPLIER/MANUFACTURER OF THE MATERIAL/ INGREDIENT RECEIVED VALID IT (VALIDIT.COM) APPROVAL?</li> </ul> | N/A<br>N/A<br>N/A<br>N/A                                   |                           |
| <b>DOES THE PRODUCT CONTAIN ANY INGREDIENTS/ COMPOUNDS/ PROCESSING AIDS ORIGINATING FROM ANY OF THE SOURCES LISTED BELOW:</b>   | <b>YES/NO</b>  | <b>COUNTRY OF ORIGIN</b>  |
| CANOLA<br>COTTON<br>POTATO<br>SQUASH<br>SUGAR BEET<br>TOMATO<br>SWEET PEPPER<br>RICE<br>PALM OIL  | NO<br>NO<br>NO<br>NO<br>NO<br>NO<br>NO<br>NO<br>YES*<br>NO | VARIOUS – See ingredients |
| Detail any GM testing program for due diligence on this product if the material or any ingredient / compounds/ processing aids originate from any of the sources listed above:  | <b>* RICE FLOUR IS INSYTE APPROVED – REF. NO. 650258</b>   |                           |

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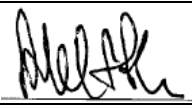
**13.0 WARRANTY STATEMENT AND SPECIFICATION AGREEMENT:**

Suitability for intended use must be checked by the buyer prior to use. Western Commodities Ltd cannot be held liable for any specific use.

The product, the manufacturing premises and distribution facilities will comply with the provisions of existing legislation and statutes, of either the United Kingdom or EC origin, and all Regulations, Statutory Instruments, Directives, orders, decisions or any other requirements made there under, which relate to, or control the nature, substance, quantity, quality, fitness for purpose, packaging, packing, labelling, sale, offering for sale, use, marking, constitution, importation, exportation, transportation, possession, dealing, make-up or trade description of such goods.

Specifications may be altered due to crop variations. Goods concessions may be allowed if they fail to meet specification due to reasonable variation, seasonal variation, general availability, and commercial considerations, providing that the product remains safe, that the product does not breach any legal constraints and provided the quality is not in variance for the intended clients stipulations (except and unless agreement with the client has been reached).

All products supplied will be subject to Western Commodities Ltd. conditions of sale.

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| <b>SUPPLIER NAME</b> | WESTERN COMMODITIES LTD   | <b>CLIENT NAME</b> |  |
| <b>NAME</b>          | Richard Stoker  | <b>NAME</b>        |  |
| <b>SIGNATURE</b>     |  | <b>SIGNATURE</b>   |  |
| <b>POSITION</b>      | Managing Director   | <b>POSITION</b>    |  |
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