

# PRODUCT SPECIFICATION

## ORGANIC BLACK PEPPER FINE GROUND - STEAM TREATED

Botanical Name: Piper nigrum L.

Control body: 100% Organic, Control Union

Certification: BioSuisse, JAS, USDA-NOP, NPOP

Demeter, Fairtrade, Naturland, Naturlandfair, Organic Korea (EFAPA& FIPA), EU Regulation,

EC No. 834/2007& 889/2008

Origin : INDIA

Issue No: 6

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Product code: BPFG 006

Packaging/Storage:--

Best kept dry and cool at 70° F & 60% RH. Packed 25Kg net

in Paper bags with polythene liner inside.

**Product Description**: Produced by cracking dried berries of **Piper nigrum L.** Complies with USFDA, ASTA & EU standards.

### **Physical Characteristics**

Granulation	95 % Pass through on 30 mesh
	95 % Retention on 80 Mesh
Color	Black outside with white to cream center
Water activity(aW)	0.65 (Max)

#### Organoleptic Characteristics

Aroma	Typical aromatic, Spicy.
Flavor	Hot biting and very pungent.

#### **Chemical Properties and Limits**

Volatile Oil	1.3% (Min)
Moisture	11.0 % (Max)
Total ash	7.0 % (Max)
Acid Insoluble Ash	0.5 % (Max)

#### Microbiological & Mycotoxin Properties

Property	Maximum Limit
E. coli	< 3 MPN/g
Coliforms	< 50 MPN/g
Salmonella	Absent in 25 g
Yeast & Mould	< 100 cfu/g
Aflatoxin	
B1	<5 ppb
(B1+B2+G1+G2)	<10ppb

Pesticides & Fumigants: None, Metal Detection Limit: Fe <2mm, Non Fe<2.5mm, SS<3mm.

The product is free from GMO, not irradiated and does not contain any additives or preservatives.

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