

PRODUCT DESCRIPTION

Description	: Whole dried black pepper, produce from selected seeds of <i>Piper nigrum</i>
Common Name	: Lada hitam (Indonesian), Black Pepper (English)
Botanical Name	: <i>Piper nigrum</i>
Plant Part Used	: Seeds

ANALYTICAL/PHYSICAL

Appearance	: Dark brown to black
Odor	: Characteristic of black pepper, spicy, pungent, woody, slightly smoky, slightly sweet
Ash on Dry Basis (%)	: NMT 7.0
Acid Insoluble Ash on Dry Basis (%)	: NMT 1.0
Moisture Content (%)	: NMT 12.0
Light Berries (%)	: NMT 3.0
Foreign Material as Organic (%)	: NMT 0.2
Foreign Material as Inorganic (%)	: Absent
Bulk Density (g/L)	: NLT 570
Moldy (%)	: NMT 2.5
Pesticide	: Comply with EU Regulation

MICROBIOLOGICAL DATA

Total Plate Count (cfu/g)	: NMT 10,000
Yeast and Mold (cfu/g)	: NMT 100
E. coli & Coliform (cfu/g)	: None Detected
Salmonella (cfu/25g)	: None Detected

SHELF LIFE AND STORAGE RECOMMENDATION

Storage Recommendation	: Store under sealed condition or in a tight container in a cool, dry area, away from direct heat or light. Best when stored at temperatures 20 – 32° C.
Shelf Life	: Two years when stored properly