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Product description: Pear Juice Concentrate (Chilled)

Product is produced from Pear fruit (*Pyrus*). Only sound and fully ripened fruit is used. The juice is extracted using a belt press and or decanter, evaporated, cooled and filled into open head drums or stored in bulk tanks. The processes are closely monitored and verified to ensure the required temperature and time is achieved. Good Manufacturing Practices are adhered to.

Category: Fruit concentrate as primary product for juices, nectars and confectionary.

Product code :01PRCL270

Brix of 11.9 according to A.I.J.N is used for reconstitution to single strength juice.

1. Chemical and physical specifications.

Brix refractometer	≥ 70
% Acidity (w/w) as malic acid at pH 8.1	0.9 – 1.7
Absorbance/ color (440 nm) at 12° Brix	≥ 50
Transmission / clarity(625 nm) at 12°Brix	≥ 95

2. Microbiological specifications

Total plate count (cfu/ml)	<300
Yeast (cfu/ml)	<100
Mould (cfu/ml)	<10
Thermophilic acidophilic bacteria (TAB) (cfu/10ml)	Absent
Heat resistant mould (cfu/10ml)	Absent

3. Sensory specifications


Colour	Light brown
Appearance	Smooth liquid
Taste/ flavour	Typical pear, no off flavours

4. Ingredients

Pear juice

5. Packaging

200 Lt	Open head drum with two open top blue food grade polyethylene bags or one close top food grade bag and one open top bag. Open top bags are individually tied. Drums are seal with unique numbered seals.
270 kg	Net weight per drum
287.5 kg	Gross weight per drum (approx.)

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6. Shelf Life

Twenty-four months (unopened) at 6 - 10°C under hygienic storage conditions.
One month (opened) under hygienic conditions <10°C.

7. Storage and transport

Store at 6 - 10°C and lower temperature under hygienic storage conditions. Transport in clean, dry vehicles, used for foodstuffs at ambient or refrigerated temperature.

8. Labelling and traceability

Following appears on label: Product code and Name, Production and Expiry date, Brix, Ratio, Net and Gross weight, Country of Origin, Storage conditions, Batch number and Drum number.

9. Allergens

None

10. Vegetarian status

Suitable for: strict, lacto and ovo vegetarian diet.

11. Religious status

Kosher and Halaal


12. Genetic modified status

GMO and GMO derivatives free

13. Comply with the following legislation and standards.

Cape fruit processors will ensure the product complies with the legislation and standards of country of destination when shipped outside South Africa.

Authenticity	GNR286: Regulations relating to the classification, packaging, marketing of juice and drinks intended for sale in South Africa as contained in the Agricultural Product Standards Act 119 of 1990 and amendments
Hygiene	Prerequisite Programs on Food Safety: ISO/TS22002-1
Contaminants and Residues	<p>Heavy Metals - Compliance with GNR 500/2004, GNR 545/2008 and amendments. Regulations relating to maximum levels for metals in foodstuffs as contained in Foodstuffs, Cosmetic and Disinfectant Act 54 of 1972.</p> <p>Pesticide residues – Compliance with GNR 246/1994, GNR 46/2012 and amendments. Regulations relating to maximum limits for pesticide residues that may be present in foodstuffs as contained in the Foodstuffs, Cosmetic and Disinfectant act 54 of 1972.</p>

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	Mycotoxins - Compliance with GNR 1145/2004. Regulations governing tolerance for fungus produced toxins in foodstuffs as contained in Foodstuffs, Cosmetic and Disinfectant Act 54 of 1972.
Food allergen information	Compliance with GNR 146 of March 2010. Regulations relating to the labelling and advertising of foodstuffs as contained in the Foodstuffs, Cosmetic and Disinfectant Act 54 of 1972 and amendments.
Metrology	Compliance with Trade Metrology Act 77 of 1973 and amendments.

14. Country of origin

South Africa

15. Acceptance of specification by customer

Accepted by (Name)	Signed	Position	Date