



ARDO PRODUCT SPECIFICATION

Endive portioned 15 g

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GENERAL DESCRIPTION

The frozen endive portions are prepared from fresh, clean, healthy young endive crops of the genus *Chicorium Endivia* L.

The raw endive is washed, afterwards blanched, cooled, formed and directly frozen.

Cut size: 13 mm

REQUIRES AT THE FROZEN PRODUCT

- colour: uniform light green to greenish brown colour.
- free from foreign material and sand: max. 0.1 % ashes, insoluble in HCL.
- flavour and odour : typical for young, fresh endives. No off-flavour and off- odour allowed.

DEFINITION OF DEFECTS ON RAW MATERIAL

- a) F.M. : not vegetable material such as wood, glass, stones, insects, etc
- b) E.V.M. : other vegetable matter as from endive plant.
- c) Rest of root piece particles.
- d) Damage by insects or disease (rotten) .

TOLERANCES OF DEFECTS Max per 1000 g

- a) Nil
- b) 0 pcs
- c) 8 pcs
- d) 1 pc

FYSICO-CHEMICAL DATA

- Peroxidase negative.
- Mineral impurities: sand , grit,... : max. 0,1% insoluble in HCl medium.
- Corresponding to EC law targets for max. levels of pesticide residues.

<u>NUTRITIONAL VALUE</u>	Average per 100 g	<u>%RI*</u>
Energy	: 71 Kj / 17 Kcal	0,9%
Fat	: 0,2 g	0,3%
Saturated	: 0,1 g	0,5%
Carbohydrates	: 1,0 g	0,3%
Sugar	: 1,0 g	1,1%
Proteins	: 1,8 g	3,6%
Fibres	: 2,0 g	8,0%
Salt	: 0,025 g	0,4%

*RI: Reference intake of an average adult (8400kJ/2000kcal).

DECLARATION OF ALLERGENS

Allergen included in ANNEX IIIa of the directive 2000/13/EG	Present in end product due to ingredients		Nature of the constituent	Unintended presence	
	YES	NO		YES	NO
Gluten		x			x
Crustaceans		x			x
Eggs		x			x
Fish		x			x
Peanuts		x			x
Soybeans		x			x
Milk		x			x
Nuts		x			x
Celery		x			x
Mustard		x			x
Sesame		x			x
Sulphur Dioxide (>10 ppm)		x			x
Lupine		x			x
Molluscs		x			x

DECLARATION OF NON-GMO

Hereby Ardo declares that none of our products, produced, packed, delivered and sold are genetically modified. None of the ingredients contain any genetically modified organism. No biotechnology or processing agents produced by means of gencechnology have been used during production. The product complies with the European non-GMO regulation (EG) nr. 1829/2003 and 1830/2003.

CHEMICAL DATA

Pesticide residue

We hereby declare that the products, supplied by Ardo, are conform to relevant legislation currently in force in the EC. Pesticides used shall be conform to the EC approved list and not exceed the MRL's defined by the EC in the finished material supplied.

Declaration on heavy metals

We hereby declare that all products ,supplied by Ardo, are conform to the EC-legislation and that they do not exceed the heavy metal tolerances defined by the EC.

BACTERIOLOGICAL DATA

	Target	Maximum
Aerobic plate count	500.000 / g	1.500.000 / g
Enterobacteriaceae	1.000 / g	10.000 / g
E. Coli	10 / g	100 / g
Yeasts and moulds	1.000 / g	5.000 / g
Listeria monocytogenes	10/ g	100 / g
Salmonella (25 g)	Absent / 25 g	Absent / 25 g

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