

Product Specification INSTANT QUINOA FLOUR (GELATINIZED)

Quinoa is an ancient pseudo cereal that has been grown for over 5,000 years in the Andes Mountain, mainly around the Titicaca Lake region (Peru and Bolivia). Before the Spaniards arrived to South America, Quinoa was, together with potatoes and corn, the basis for their nutrition. Throughout the last years, value added products from Quinoa, such as Instant Quinoa Flour (Gelatinized), have been developed in order to satisfy the needs of every consumer.

Process:

Once the white quinoa grain is cleaned, scarified, washed, selected, sorted and color classified, it is extruded. The extrusion process results in using the appropriate temperature to cook the starch particles of the Quinua, developing a "paste" texture. This transformation is called Gelatinization. Once the quinoa is gelatinized it is then milled, sieved and packed.

Description:

Instant Quinoa Flour is a cream powder like product that, due to its gelatinization process, dissolves easier in liquids and allows a higher absorption of nutrients because it is easier to digest. It contains all the health benefits of Quinoa Grains and it is ready to use.



Characteristics:

ORGANOLEPTIC CHARACTERISTICS			
Taste:	Characteristic		
Appearance:	Powder		
Smell:	Characteristic		
Color:	Characteristic		



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PHYSIOCHEMICAL CHARACTERISTICS				
Moisture	< 8.0%			
Sieve	< 0.5mm			
Saponin	Absent			
Gelatinized Index	> 96%			
MICROBIOLOGICAL CHARACT	ERISTICS			
Total Aerobes Mesophilic	< 1x10 ⁶	cfu/g		
Coliforms	< 10 ³	cfu/g		
E. Coli	Absent	cfu/g		
Yeasts	< 10 ⁴	cfu/g		
Molds	< 10 ⁴	cfu/g		
Salmonella	Absent	in 25g		
Bacilius Cereus	$< 10^{4}$	cfu/g		
CONTAMINANTS				
Pesticides (*)	Absent	mg/kg		
Aflatoxin B1	< 4.00	μg/kg		
Aflatoxin B2	< 4.00	μg/kg		
Aflatoxin G1	< 4.00	μg/kg		
Aflatoxin G2	< 4.00	μg/kg		
Zearelanona	< 100.00	µg/kg		
Ochratoxin A	< 5.00	μg/kg		
Lead (pb)	< 0.20	mg/kg		
Cadmium (Cd) / / / / / / / / / / / / / / / / / / /				

(*) Pesticides are considered absent when no residue is measured above the detection limits of the gas and liquid cromatographer.

NUTRITION (in 100gr) **			
Energy	365	kj	
Proteins	12.1	g	
Fat	6.5	g	
Dietary Fiber	4.0	g	
Ashes	2.2	g	
Carbohydrates	65.0	g	
Calcium	100	mg	
Phosphorus	150	mg	
Iron	13	mg	
Sodium	12	mg	

(**)Values may vary



Packaging:

Triple layer kraft paper bags of 25kg net, retail packaging, or as per clients request

Life-time and storage conditions

24 months in adequate conditions:	indoor (no direct sunlight), cool, ventilated, dry environment:
Temperature:	< 30°C
Relative Humidity:	45% - 75%

Uses

Instant Quinoa Flour is for direct consumption. It can be added to juices, smoothies, yogurts, creams, soups, etc. Moreover, it can also be used as wheat-based and gluten-free baking.

Allergens:

We certify that the following food allergens are NOT present by direct addition (ingredient, food additive, processing aid, etc) or by cross contamination (products production line, transportation, etc.) of our product:

Crustaceans Eggs Fish Lupine

ans Milk Mollusk Peanut Seeds Soybean Tree nuts Wheat Sulphites

Mustard

Celery

Gluten Free:

We certify that our product is naturally gluten free

Non-GMO:

We certify that our product has NOT been genetically modified.

Product Certifications:

Organic:

National Organic Program (USDA/NOP) European Union (EU) Peru (RTPO: Reglamento Técnico Peruano Organico) Kosher by OU (Orthodox Union) Quality by SGS or Control Union

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