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PURE HONEY INGREDIENT SPECIFICATION

Clover Honey Blend

DESCRIPTION:

Liquid honey is produced by honeybees from flower blossom nectar. The honey has been removed (extracted) from the wax honeycomb and filtered to remove particles larger than 16 microns. Honey was flash heated to 185°F to kill yeast and mold, prevent fermentation, and extend shelf life. All product is U.S.D.A. Grade A and is processed under Global Food Safety Initiative (GFSI) standards, Good Manufacturing Practices (GMP) and HACCP Program. No additives, preservatives, or economic adulterants have been added to this product.

ANALYSIS:

<u>Properties</u>		<u>Standard</u>	Method
Grade		A	USDA
Color		18 - 50 mm Pfund	AOAC 960.44
Moisture		18.6% max.	AOAC 969.38
Solids		81.4% min.	By difference
Flavor		Sweet, typical of honey, free from foreign or	Organoleptic
		objectionable odors or flavors.	
Clarity		Clear and free of foreign or suspended matter,	Visual
		solids or crystals.	
APC		< 5,000 cfu/g	AOAC 966.23
Yeast & Mold		< 100 cfu/g	FDA-BAM, 7th ed
Economic Adulteration		-23.5 to -28.0	AOAC 998.12

GENERAL:

- A. Meets all requirements for U.S. Grade A filtered, liquid honey and will conform in every respect to the provisions of the Federal Food, Drug and Cosmetic Act and Amendments.
- B. Covered by Product Liability and Commodity Guarantee
- C. Kosher for Passover (Orthodox Union) and True Source certified
- D. Shelf Life & Storage Condition: 365 days from pack date, stored in an ambient dry warehouse 65°-85°F. US Grade A honey does not spoil; it will darken in color and naturally crystallize, but remains a viable, safe food.

PACKAGING:

- A. Standard packaging options include 5 gallon HDPE pails (60 lbs.), 55 gallon steel drums (650 lbs.), 3200 lbs. HDPE or 3000 lbs. corrugated totes, subject to availability. Other commercially acceptable containers approved by purchaser can also be used.
- B. Every container is identified by a product name and lot number for traceability.

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