
**Cloves, whole and ground (powdered) —
Specification**

Clous de girofle entiers et clous de girofle en poudre — Spécifications



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1 Scope

This International Standard specifies requirements for whole and ground (powdered) cloves [*Syzygium aromaticum* (L.) Merr. et L.M. Perry].

Recommendations relating to storage and transport are given in Annex A for information only.

2 Normative references

The following referenced documents are indispensable for the application of this document. For dated references, only the edition cited applies. For undated references, the latest edition of the referenced document (including any amendments) applies.

ISO 927, *Spices and condiments — Determination of extraneous matter content*

ISO 928, *Spices and condiments — Determination of total ash*

ISO 930, *Spices and condiments — Determination of acid-insoluble ash*

ISO 939, *Spices and condiments — Determination of moisture content — Entrainment method*

ISO 948, *Spices and condiments — Sampling*

ISO 1208, *Spices and condiments — Determination of filth*

ISO 2825, *Spices and condiments — Preparation of a ground sample for analysis*

ISO 5498, *Agricultural food products — Determination of crude fibre content — General method*

ISO 6571, *Spices, condiments and herbs — Determination of volatile oil content*

3 Terms and definitions

For the purposes of this document, the following terms and definitions apply.

3.1

whole clove

floral bud, harvested before blooming, and dried, of [*Syzygium aromaticum* (L.) Merr. et L.M. Perry].

NOTE It comprises a receptacle containing, in its upper part, two loculi containing numerous ovules, and crowned by four acute divergent sepals surrounding a dome-shaped head consisting of four paler unexpanded membranous imbricate petals enclosing numerous incurved stamens and a single stiff erect style.

cf. Figure 1.