Traditional food: Bambara seeds and seed flour

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Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) 2024/2047 authorising the placing on the market of seeds and seed flour of *Vigna subterranea* (L.) Verdc. as a traditional food from a third country

What is changing and why?

The European Commission has authorised the sale of dried seeds and flour of Bambara (*Vigna subterranea*), a traditional food from Africa, on the EU market. This follows a review of its safety by the European Food Safety Authority.

Foodstuffs containing this traditional food must be labelled with a warning for consumers with known allergies to peanuts and soybeans that the seeds and seed flour of *V. subterranea* may cause allergic reactions. When the seeds are sold uncooked, the label must state that they should be soaked and boiled before consumption.

Foods must be labelled “Bambara (*Vigna subterranea*) seeds/ nut/bean/ groundnut” or “Bambara (*Vigna subterranea*) seed/ nut/bean/ groundnut flour”.

Timeline

Seeds and seed flour of Bambara (*Vigna subterranea)* may be sold on the EU market from **19 August 2024**.

For more information see the full record on the AGRINFO website – where you can also view the latest AGRINFO Update newsletters and search the database.

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