

### **Product Specifications**

for adults and children over 12 months old

#### thickens hot and cold liquids

Thickens hot and cold liquids, and food, for adults and children with swallowing difficulties. Thickening feeds is the most successful feeding intervention associated with improved outcomes for children and adults with oropharyngeal dysphagia.1



#### Simple, Natural Ingredients

Certified Kosher, vegan and non-GMO, Purathick is made of simple natural ingredients: Organic Tapioca Maltodextrin, Tara Gum and Calcium Carbonate.

It does not contain any common allergens.<sup>2</sup>



#### Tasteless and Smooth

Purathick is a tasteless, odorless, non-starch based, fine-powder that creates a smooth, viscous consistency when mixed with most liquids.3 Creates a palatable mouthfeel without being slimy or gritty. Unlike starch-based thickeners, Purathick does not over-thicken with time.



#### Contraindications

Do not use for children under 12 months old.4 Do not use if galactosemia or allergy to galactomannans is suspected. Stop using if rash or other allergic reaction develops. Allergies to galactomannans are rare.

- <sup>1</sup> On feeding interventions for dysphagia, see Duncan, Daniel R., et al. "Feeding interventions are associated with improved outcomes in children with laryngeal penetration." Journal of pediatric gastroenterology and nutrition 68.2 (2019): 218-224. Mills RH. Dysphagia management: using thickened liquids. The ASHA Leader. 2008; 13:12-13. Use of thickened feeds should only be considered under medical supervision. Purathick is not intended to diagnose, treat, cure or prevent any disease. Statements made in this document have not been evaluated by the Food and Drug Administration.
- <sup>2</sup> Kosher certified by Kosher Organics (recognized by cRc). Does not contain corn, wheat, gluten, soy, whey, casein, lactose or dairy.
- <sup>3</sup> Purathick is suitable for use in most liquids and foods. This product is not intended as a sole source of nutrition.
- <sup>4</sup> Presently, insufficient evidence supports the use of Purathick with infants. The innocuousness and absence of carcinogenic effect of galactomannans, including tara, carob and guar gums, in young children has been established. Carob bean gum has been extensively studied for its safety and use with neonates. Guar gum has been considered acceptable for use in infant formula and foods for infants and young children for over a decade with no adverse reactions. Dietary exposure assessments on high levels of tara gum have been conducted with young children, however not yet with neonates. For more info see: Meunier, L., Garthoff, J. A., Schaafsma, A., Krul, L., Schrijver, J., van Goudoever, J. B., ... & Vandenplas, Y. (2014).; Locust bean gum safety in neonates and young infants: an integrated review of the toxicological database and clinical evidence. Regulatory Toxicology and Pharmacology, 70(1), 155-169.; Mortensen, A., Aguilar, F., Crebelli, R., Di Domenico, A., Frutos, M. J., Galtier, P., ... & Lindtner, O. (2017). Re- evaluation of guar gum (E 412) as a food additive. EFSA Journal, 15(2).; Food Standards Australia New Zealand (FSANZ)(2016). Final Assessment Report: Application A546: Tara Gum as a Food Additive, 33-44.



Purathick Jar w/Scoop SKU: PUR-RET-001N 125g (52 Servings) **MSRP** \$23.50



**Purathick Stick Box** SKU: PUR-RET-003N 72g (30 Servings) **MSRP** \$18.95

### **Supplement Facts**

Serving size 1 Stick (2.4g) Servings per container 30

	Amount Per Serving		y Value Ages 4+**
Calories	10		
Total Carbohydrates	2g	1%	1%
Dietary Fiber	<1g	6%	3%
Calcium	10mg	1%	1%

\* Percent Daily Values are based on a 1,000 calorie diet. \*\* Percent Daily Values are based on a 2,000 calorie diet.

Ingredients: Organic Tapioca Maltodextrin, Tara Gum, Calcium Carbonate

#### **HYPOALLERGENIC**

free of dairy, gluten, soy and GMOs



🔼 NO XANTHAN GUM



🕢 NO CORN



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## Instructions for Preparation and Use

thickens hot and cold liquids

When thickening liquids is recommended due to swallowing difficulties, always follow healthcare provider's instructions on which consistency to safely thicken up to. Instructions may need to be adjusted based on the viscosity of the original diet.

# **C**USAGE RECOMMENDATIONS\*



SLIGHTLY THICK (AKA THIN NECTAR)

Add 2.4g (1 scoop or 1 stick) per 7 - 8 fl oz



**MILDLY THICK (AKA NECTAR)** 

**Add 2.4g** (1 scoop or 1 stick) per **5 - 6 fl oz** 



MODERATELY THICK (AKA HONEY)

**Add 2.4g** (1 scoop or 1 stick) per **3 - 4 fl oz** 



A EXTREMELY THICK (AKA PUDDING)

Add 2.4g (1 scoop or 1 stick) per 2 fl oz

- \* Each jar includes a 2.4g scoop, equivalent to 1 level tsp.
- \* Designed for use with the IDDSI Framework (www.iddsi.org). Tests Performed by Parapharma Tech.

### **E**ADVANCED PREPARATION

- Most liquids can be prepared up to 24 hours in advance. Store thickened liquids in a clean, sealed container in the refrigerator. Thickened water may be stored at room temperature.
- Purathick is freeze-thaw stable, so can be used to make thickened ice cubes or popsicles.

## **E**TIPS ON MIXING

- To avoid clumps, sprinkle powder into liquid, cap & shake quickly.

  Blender bottles work well to fully assimilate the powder. A handheld mixer/frother can also be used.
- When shaking is not ideal, like for hot coffee or for nutritional supplements that tend to foam, use a handheld frother/mixer instead. Add the powder to the liquid, submerge the mixer, then turn on for about 10-20 seconds or until powder is completely dissolved.
- For larger batches of liquid, an immersion blender or electric blender can be used.

## **EMIXING INSTRUCTIONS**

Always wash hands thoroughly with soap and water before preparation.



Pour desired amount of liquid into a shaker.
Sprinkle Purathick powder into liquid following usage recommendations.





Cap and shake well for about 30 seconds, or until the powder is completely dissolved.

Let cold liquids stand about 5 minutes until desired consistency is achieved. Warm liquids thicken up faster and can be served after about 1 minute



Mix again before serving.



