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Draft Revision of the Codex Classification of Foods and Animal Feeds at
Step 7: Tree Nuts, Herbs and Spices
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European Union Competence.
European Union Vote.

The European Union (EU) appreciates this work reviewing the Codex Classification of Foods and Animal Feeds.

**Tree nuts**
In the Tree nuts group, Pine nuts TN 0673 note “other Pinus species” were added. This proposal might cover also unspecified varieties of pine e.g. *Pinus armandii, Pinus massoniana* which cause a bitter taste. If there are any doubts they should not be used as food ingredients.

**Herbs**
HH 3200 Edible flowers – Various edible flowers
It is proposed to set-up a sub-group “Edible flowers” since it covers a huge group of commodities. The following commodities from the existing proposal should be added:
- HH 0737 Calendula Flowers – *Calendula officinalis* L. (besides calendula leaves)
- HH 3204 Geranium (lemon, rose) – *Pelargonium crispum* (P.J. Bergius) L’Her and *Pelargonium graveolens* L’Her
- HH XXXX Common Daisy – *Bellis perennis* L.

Beneath their use as an herbal drug it is known that flowers from these plants might be eaten.

**Spices**
Group 028D Spices (roots, rhizomes)
Add HS 0735 Lovage root to this group as the rhizomes besides the leaves are also used as food and add in the group 027A of Herbs after HH 0735 Lovage “leaves”.