**Main characteristics/features**

Nakhonphanom Lychee or Litchi means Nor Por.1 lychee breed. Its rind is reddish-pink, large size with egg shape, dry pulp in turbid white, sweet and sour flavor and no acerbity. It is cultivated in Tambol Kham Thao, Amphur Muang Nakhonphanom in Nakhonphanom province.

**Characteristics**

1. **Breed:** Nor Por.1, scientific name is Litchi Chinensis Sonn. in Sapindaceae family.
2. **Physical characteristics:** Shape Egg shape, wide top and round tip, the size is 4.00 - 4.50 centimeters, 3.7 centimeters wide and 25 - 30 grams/piece.

**Process of production/processing**

- **Plantation:** (1) The tree is planted with 8x8 -10x10 meters
- **Harvesting:** (1) Approximately 3 months after flower blooming, the size is fully-grown, the colour will turn from green to dark red, the base of prickles on rind will expand, and furrow between prickles is obvious.
- **Pruning:** will be made after harvest.
- **Preservation:** should be kept in below 20° Celsius temperature.

**Packaging:**

1. Description on the labels include “ลิ้นจี่นครพนม or Nakhonphanom Lychee or Lychee Nakhonphanom”.
2. Using Thai Geographical Indication shall be used with production of Nakhonphanom Lychee sold during March - April.

**Geographical area**

Nakhonphanom Lychee covers areas in Tambol Kham Thao, Amphur Muang Nakhonphanom in Nakhonphanom province. Lychee grown within Tambol Kham Thao, Amphur Muang Nakhonphanom in Nakhonphanom province has flavor and characteristics that are different from Lychee grown in others provinces. It has egg shape, wide top and round tip, dull and distant prickles, reddish-pink rind, dry pulp in turbid white, with sweet and sour flavor, less watery, obvious vermilion line on inner rind when it is overripe and large size, etc.

**Link between the product and the territory**

In B.E. 2499 (A.D. 1956) at Sri Thep Pradit Tharam Temple, Amphur Muang Nakhonphanom in Nakhonphanom province, people brought and offered Lychee to Reverend Grand Father (Luang Pu) Chan (Chao Kun Sarapanamuee), the dean of Nakhonphanom. After eating Lychee, he liked its flavor and gave the seeds to Buddhist novices and folks to plant them. Only Buddhist Novice Veera Suthisom gave the seeds to his Father-Mother, who are Mr. Oun and Mrs. Sawang Suthisom. They planted around their house totaling 10 trees in Banna Don, Tambol Kham Thao, Amphur Muang Nakhonphanom in Nakhonphanom province. During B.E 2533 - 2535 (A.D. 1990-1992), Department of Agriculture by Nakhonphanom Plant Experimental Station had studied and sorted Lychee breeds in northern of Northeast region into 2 breeds which are Nakhonphanom 1 (Nor Por.1) and Nakhonphanom 2 (Nor Por.2). Then, they had studied and compared both breeds and found that Nakhonphanom 1 were better both in quantity and production quality. Hence, additional research was conducted. Finally, in B.E. 2536 (A.D. 1993), it was presented as Department of Agriculture’s breed and named as “Lychee NorPor. 1” or so called by villagers as “Lychee Banna Don Breed” or “Lychee Banna Don”, which was named after place of origin and planting area.