

STREPSILS Extra Blackcurrant Lozenges

Hexylresorcinol

Read all of this leaflet carefully because it contains important information for you.

This medicine is available without prescription. However, you still need to take Strepsils Extra Blackcurrant Lozenges carefully to get the best results from it.

- Keep this leaflet. You may need to read it again.
- Ask your pharmacist if you need more information or advice.
- You must contact a doctor if your symptoms worsen or do not improve after 3 days
- If any of the side effects become serious, or if you notice any side effect not listed in this leaflet, please tell your doctor or pharmacist.

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1. WHAT STREPSILS EXTRA BLACKCURRANT LOZENGES ARE AND WHAT THEY ARE USED FOR

Strepsils Extra Blackcurrant Lozenges contains an active ingredient for use in throat medications. It is used for the symptomatic relief of sore throat and its associated pain. The active ingredient has a mild antiseptic effect to kill the bacteria associated with mouth and throat infections and also acts as a local anaesthetic to numb the pain associated with a sore throat. Sucking the lozenge slowly in the mouth helps to lubricate and soothe the discomfort of the painful area in the throat, and also releases the active ingredient to help relieve the soreness and discomfort of mouth and throat infections.

2. BEFORE YOU TAKE STREPSILS EXTRA BLACKCURRANT LOZENGES

This product is recommended for adults, children (over 6 years old) and the elderly.

Children under 6 years old should not use this product.

Do not take this product if you:

- are allergic (hypersensitive) to Hexylresorcinol or any of the other ingredients shown in Section 6 – Further Information.
- are under 6 years old.

Do not take this product if:

- You have an intolerance to certain sugars such as fructose, glucose-galactose and sucrose-isomaltose. These would be normally confirmed by your doctor. Intolerance would lead from conditions such as deficiency of the enzyme fructose-1-phosphate aldolase (leading to fructose intolerance), glucose-galactose malabsorption and sucrase-isomaltase deficiencies.

Tell your doctor or pharmacist if you:

- are taking or have recently taken any other medicines, including medicines obtained without a prescription.
- suffer or are suffering from any other throat problems

Pregnancy and breast-feeding

It is not recommended to use this product if you think you are pregnant, are pregnant or are breastfeeding.

Ask your doctor or pharmacist for advice before taking any medicine.

Important information about some of the ingredients in this product

This product contains sucrose and glucose. If you have been told by your doctor that you have an intolerance to some sugars contact your doctor before taking this product.

3. HOW TO TAKE STREPSILS EXTRA BLACKCURRANT LOZENGES

Remove one lozenge from the foil blister packaging.

Replace the foil blister back into the cardboard carton.

Place lozenge into the mouth allowing it to dissolve slowly.

Dissolve one lozenge slowly in the mouth every 2 – 3 hours.

Adults, Children (over 6 years old) and the elderly – One lozenge to be dissolved slowly in the mouth every 2 – 3 hours up to a maximum of 12 lozenges in 24 hours

It is not recommended that children under 6 years use this product.

Remember that young children can choke on lozenges.

If symptoms persist for more than 3 days or if anything unusual happens please consult your doctor.

If you take more of this product than you should

You may experience stomach discomfort

Do not take any more of this product and consult your doctor or pharmacist.

If you forget to take this product

Do not take a double dose to make up for a forgotten lozenge. Continue to use this product normally.

If you have any further questions on the use of this product, ask your doctor or pharmacist.

4. POSSIBLE SIDE EFFECTS

Like all medicines, Strepsils Extra Blackcurrant Lozenges can cause side effects, although not everybody gets them.

If you experience any hypersensitivity to this product i.e. itching, stop taking this product and consult your doctor or pharmacist.

If any of the side effects gets serious, or if you notice any side effects not listed in this leaflet, please tell your doctor or pharmacist.

5. HOW TO STORE STREPSILS EXTRA BLACKCURRANT LOZENGES

Keep out of the reach and sight of children.

Do not use this product after the expiry date which is stated on the carton. The expiry date refers to the last day of that month and the year.

Do not store above 25°C

Medicines should not be disposed of via wastewater or household waste. Ask your pharmacist how to dispose of medicines no longer required. These measures will help to protect the environment.

6. FURTHER INFORMATION

What Strepsils Extra Blackcurrant Lozenges Contain

The active substance is:

Hexylresorcinol 2.4mg

The other ingredients are

Liquid sucrose, Liquid glucose, Blackcurrant flavour (containing propylene glycol), Levomenthol, Carmoisine Edicol (E122), Patent Blue V (E131).

What Strepsils Extra Blackcurrant Lozenges looks like

A round purple lozenge.

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