

# Te MATA

ESTATE 1896

ESTABLISHED IN 1896, TE MATA ESTATE REMAINS FAMILY OWNED, PRODUCING INTERNATIONALLY RECOGNISED WINES EXCLUSIVELY FROM ITS HISTORIC, HAWKE'S BAY VINEYARDS.

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## BULLNOSE '16

FIRST PLANTED IN 1990, THE BULLNOSE VINEYARD'S OLD RED IRON SOILS PRODUCE TE MATA ESTATE'S FINEST SYRAH. THIS WINE HAS DISTINCT FLORAL AND SPICE AROMAS, RICH FLAVOURS OF PLUM, RASPBERRY AND BLACKBERRY, WITH A VELVETY TEXTURE.

### ORIGIN

Vineyard partners Michael Morris and Peter Cowley named Bullnose after an early Morris Cowley car, nicknamed Bullnose due to its distinctive radiator. The bull emblem that appears on the label is drawn from the car's radiator crest.

### VINEYARDS

Separate parcels of fully ripened syrah grapes were hand-harvested from Te Mata Estate's Bullnose and Isosceles Vineyards between 4 and 12 April 2016.

### WINEMAKING

The individual lots were each destemmed and given a traditional warm-plunged fermentation. The resulting wines underwent extended maceration on skins before pressing and then a secondary malolactic fermentation. The separate wines were then run to a mixture of new and seasoned French oak barriques for 15 months' maturation. During this time, they were regularly topped and racked, before egg-white fining, blending and then bottling in September 2017.

### TASTING NOTE

Deep crimson, Bullnose '16 weaves star anise, violets, black cherry and allspice across a core of ripe berry fruit and luxurious, velvet tannins. From Te Mata Estate's 120th vintage, this is an enchanting, signature Bullnose. Expressive, darkly aromatic, and replete with fresh raspberry, boysenberry, and espresso, all leading to a finely textured finish.

### CELLARING POTENTIAL

Bullnose '16 is closed with a natural cork, allowing continued evolution in bottle for eight years from harvest.



### TECHNICAL ANALYSIS AT BOTTLING

pH	3.45
Total acidity as tartaric	6.0g/l
Alcohol	13.0%
Residual Sugar	Dry

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