



2021 COLERAINE, HAWKE'S BAY

WINERY

Established in 1896, Te Mata Estate remains family owned, producing internationally recognized wines exclusively from its Hawke's Bay vineyards, located on New Zealand's North Island. Te Mata Estate is home to New Zealand's oldest vineyards and wine cellars with 130 years of continuous wine production. The Buck family were drawn to the estate in 1974, with a desire to produce Bordeaux- and Northern Rhone-inspired wines. Today, the family continues this pursuit, delivering internationally acclaimed, estate-grown wines of classical style, which represent the best qualities of their variety, vintage and vineyard.

WINE

First produced in 1982, Coleraine is New Zealand's most famous red wine. Coleraine derives its name from the Coleraine vineyard, home of John and Wendy Buck of Te Mata Estate. John's late grandfather was born in Coleraine in Northern Ireland and the name has been maintained through the family home to the wine. A single vineyard wine until 1989, Coleraine is an assemblage of the finest wines produced from distinct plots within Te Mata Estate's oldest Havelock Hills vineyards first planted in 1892.

VINEYARDS

Coleraine 2021 was harvested from Te Mata's Havelock Hills vineyards in March 2021. The Havelock Hills, heart of Te Mata Estate's production, features five north-facing sites, including the historic 1892 vineyard. The terrain combines sandy loam soils over sandstone in the east, and clay and silica in the west. Located at the intersection of tectonic plates, the landscape creates ideal grape-growing conditions with its varied terraces. The Havelock Hills vineyards produce wines known for balance, power, and elegance. In 1996, the area became New Zealand's first wine appellation as the Te Mata Special Character Zone, protecting it from development.

VINTAGE NOTES

A historically early vintage that was warm and dry produced low crops with tiny berries, creating exceptional wines with fragrance, tension, purity, power, and persistence... these are so appealing, the tricky part will be having the patience to enjoy them at their peak!

WINEMAKING

Each parcel of grapes was destemmed before a traditional warm, plunged fermentation and extended maceration on skins. The resulting wines were then run to predominately new French oak barrels for 17 months' maturation.

TASTING NOTES

The 2021 Coleraine wine displays deep crimson color with purple edges and exceptional character. It's Hawke's Bay cabernet aroma features wild blackberry, blackcurrant, thyme, cedar, and fresh roses. This wine offers a balanced, vibrant palate with cassis, raspberry, mocha, and mineral notes. Succulent fruit masks the strong tannins, creating a wine of perfume, power, and finesse.

VINEYARD

Region: New Zealand
Appellation: Hawke's Bay

Soil: Sandy loam over sandstone;

some areas with clay and silica

Age/Exposure: Oldest vines planted in 1970s;

North facing exposure

Eco-Practices: Sustainable; Regenerative Farming Practices

WINEMAKING

Varietals: 56% Cabernet Sauvignon,

32% Merlot, 12% Cabernet Franc

Barrel Aging: 17 months in French oak barrels; 70% new oak

TECHNICAL DETAILS

Alcohol: 14%
Total Acidity: 5.7 g/L

pH: 3.54

