



ESTABLISHED IN 1896, TE MATA ESTATE IS NEW ZEALAND'S OLDEST WINERY AND REMAINS FAMILY OWNED, PRODUCING INTERNATIONALLY RECOGNISED WINES EXCLUSIVELY FROM ITS HAWKES BAY VINEYARDS.

CAPE CREST '08



SINCE 1984, CAPE CREST HAS DEVELOPED AN INTERNATIONAL FOLLOWING FOR ITS UNIQUE EXPRESSION OF NEW ZEALAND SAUVIGNON BLANC. BARREL FERMENTED, WITH A TOUCH OF SEMILLON AND SAUVIGNON GRIS, IT IS CONCENTRATED AND COMPLEX WITH TOAST, CITRUS BLOSSOM, PEAR AND STONEFRUIT CHARACTERS.

Cape Crest and its gannet symbol refer to Cape Kidnappers, the southern point of Hawke Bay, home to the world's largest mainland colony of these remarkable marine birds.

Between 12 and 19 March 2008, individual plots within Te Mata Estate's vineyards were hand-harvested to yield fruit of wonderful quality. The separate parcels of grapes were destemmed and lightly crushed before undergoing brief skin contact at a cool temperature, chilled and given skin contact. After cold settling, the juice was run to new and seasoned French oak barrels for fermentation. The resulting wines were aged on lees, with regular stirring, for a further eight months before blending, fining and bottling in December 2008. The final blend follows the, now normal proportions of 85% sauvignon blanc, 11% semillon and 4% sauvignon gris.

Cape Crest '08 has a light green colour. Aromas of grapefruit, lime and passionfruit dominate with underlying mineral and toast notes. The lively palate has concentrated citrus and guava fruit with a creamy texture and a fine, dry finish. Cape Crest 2008 will continue to evolve in bottle for five years from harvest and is a wonderful match with rich seafood and poultry dishes.

Cape Crest '08 is bottled with leading technology 'DIAM' corks. These are produced using a liquid form of carbon dioxide which eliminates any possibility of cork taint and, when the wine is well cellared, they provide consistent evolution for every bottle.

Technical Analysis at bottling

pH	3.11
Total acidity as tartaric	6.9g/l
Alcohol	13.0%
Residual Sugar	Dry

Bottle Barcode

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Sustainable Winegrowing
New Zealand accredited.
This wine is made in a
traditional manner and fined
with casein.

