

Matetic EQ 'Cool Climate' Syrah

"Press Highlights"

2019

• 94 – JAMES SUCKLING, December 6, 2024

"Tangy, peppery fruit with tarry blackberries and graphite. This is ripe, broad and full-bodied with a mouthful of fine, dusty tannins. Extremely long. I'd rate even higher with more mid-palate tension. From organically grown grapes with Ecocert certification. Drink or hold."

2018

• 95 – JAMES SUCKLING, January 8, 2024

"What a meaty Syrah with plenty of dried, wild herbs. Roasted thyme, lard, graphite, dark cherries and peppercorn on the nose, following through to a medium- to full-bodied palate with a wealth of fine, seamless tannins. Spicy, long and very focused. A very consistent Syrah from San Antonio Valley that always wows you. Drink now or hold."

• **92** – **VINOUS**, June 2022

"...Dark garnet in color. The nose offers attractively clear, expressive notes of flesh and blackberry, dark fruit, and pepper. Silky on the palate with a terse, delicate flavor. The bold finish lingers at length before the aftertaste of dark fruit."

2017

• 95 – JAMES SUCKLING, June 3, 2021

"Aromas of blueberries, blackberries and violets with smoke undertones. Medium-bodied with chewy tannins. Juicy and fresh on the palate with a long, lively and flavorful finish with peppery notes. Drink or hold."

• 93 - WINE ADVOCATE, April 6, 2023

"The very expressive and pungently varietal 2017 EQ Cool Climate Syrah has notes of bacon fat, black olives and herbs, reflecting a warm and dry year with 14.5% alcohol and a medium to full-bodied palate. It fermented with some full clusters and indigenous yeasts and was transferred into 225-liter barrels for malolactic fermentation and 18 months' élevage. It's full-bodied and lush, with ripe tannins."

• 91 – VINOUS, March 31, 2021

"...Purple in color. The lovely, complex nose features blueberry, raspberry and hints of flesh and black pepper over refined woody aromas. Creamy on the palate with moderate freshness and a loose, flavorful complexion, as the name indicates, this is a well-made Syrah from a cool climate."

2016

• 94 - WINE ADVOCATE, August 31, 2021

"The superb 2016 EQ Cool Climate Syrah has pungent aromas of smoky bacon and olives. It's herbal but ripe with very integrated oak and lots of inner strength and energy. It's medium-bodied and has abundant tannins and I believe the potential to develop further in the bottle."