

Matetic Corralillo Syrah

"Press Highlights"

2017

• 95 - JAMES SUCKLING, June 3, 2021

"Notes of blackberries, dark cherries and blueberries on the nose with peppercorns, too. Full-bodied with chewy tannins, Crisp, fleshy and flavorful on the palate. Ample finish with length. Succulent and lively at the end. Drink or hold."

90 – VINOUS, May 2021

"The 2017 Syrah Corralillo from San Antonio was aged for 14 months in French barrels, one-fifth new. Distinctly Rhône-ish in style, it delivers a concentrated combination of blackberry and boysenberry with hints of bacon, black pepper and wood. The interesting mouthfeel has a well-defined profile, offering mild freshness and a chalky texture. Fruit-forward, it concludes with a long, heartfelt finish."

• 91 - WINE ADVOCATE, August 31, 2021

"The highly aromatic and varietal 2017 Corralillo Syrah has meaty notes and hints of violets and tar. It's varietal and with a gentle texture, abundant but fine-grained tannins and mellow acidity. It has good ripeness, reflecting a warmer year."

2016

• 92 - WINE ADVOCATE, Feb. 28, 2020

"I was captivated by the freshness of the 2016 Corralillo Syrah, from sloped vineyards on granite and quartz soils that are worked biodynamically. Syrah always ferments in open vats with some full clusters and indigenous yeasts, and in this case the wine matured in French barriques for 14 months. It's juicy and very tasty, fresh and balanced; it's a different expression of Syrah – one with more flowers and red fruit and a soft texture but with good freshness. It develops some meaty notes and gets more spicy with time in the glass. It's quite complex to be the entry-level Syrah."

2015

• 95 – JAMES SUCKLING, May 2017

"Aromas of blackberry, blueberry, slate and stone. Full body and lovely fine tannins. Long finish. Fantastic. Drink now."

2014

• 94 – "BEST BUY" – WINE & SPIRITS, Feb. 2017

"Austere at first, this wine shows only its impetuous acidity and its tannins, as hard as the granite from the Coastal Range of Chile. Then, with some air, it begins to reveal red fruit flavors and smoky notes as the wine gains in complexity. It's bright, even as it's densely extracted, its blackberry flavors underlined by firm acidity. This comes from El Rosario, where Matetic farms their vines biodynamically, 11 miles off the Pacific Coast."

- 93 JAMES SUCKLING, May 2016
- 92 WINE SPECTATOR. March 2017
- 91 WINE ADVOCATE, April 2017