

# 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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## ELSTON '13

PRODUCED SINCE 1984, ELSTON IS AN OUTSTANDING NEW ZEALAND CHARDONNAY, GROWN AT TE MATA ESTATE'S OLDEST VINEYARDS ON THE HILLSIDES ABOVE THE WINERY. IT IS RICH AND COMPLEX WITH FLAVOURS OF FRESH PINEAPPLE, WHITE PEACH AND NOUGAT.

### ORIGIN

Elston is named for Elston Hall in Nottinghamshire, the ancestral home of Charles Darwin's family. Darwin's 'theory of natural selection' forms the basis of modern evolutionary theory, the foundation of biology. The wyvern symbol of Elston Hall appears on the label.

### VINEYARDS

The superb quality of the 2013 vintage was immediately apparent in the fully ripe grapes that were hand-harvested from their separate, individual plots within Te Mata Estate's vineyards between 14 and 23 March 2013.

### WINEMAKING

Each parcel was gently whole-cluster pressed, cold settled and racked to new and seasoned French oak barrels for fermentation. The resulting wines remained in contact with their yeast lees while undergoing malolactic fermentation. The finest lots were selected for further maturation, spending a total of ten months in barrel. The finished wine was bottled in March 2014.

### TASTING NOTE

Elston '13 has a bright lemon-gold colour, with the classic Hawke's Bay fresh, ripe peach aroma, and notes of perfumed citrus blossom and oatmeal biscuit. On the palate it shows great intensity and balance with rich characters of ripest stonefruit, sweet lemon, and creamy nougat, right through its amazing length. It epitomises the best qualities of Elston; finesse, richness, texture, purity and length.

### CLOSURE / CELLARING

Elston '13 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. Elston '13 will continue to evolve in bottle for five years from harvest.

### Technical Analysis at bottling

pH	3.20
Total acidity as tartaric	6.6g/l
Alcohol	14.0%
Residual Sugar	Dry



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