



# Broad Leaf

## Santa Gertrudis Stud

September 2019

Hello,

With the bull selling season upon us, I would like you to take a moment to consider Broad Leaf Santa Gertrudis when selecting your bulls this year.

“Our aim is to produce commercially aligned, environmentally adapted cattle that perform in Central Queensland.”

We place a strong emphasis on quiet, fertile, industry relevant cattle, that perform in our environment, finishing off pasture, crop or in the feedlot. The current crop of sale bulls, after being weaned, spent considerable time on dry pasture due to the drought; then a silage-based ration and finally an oats crop since June. Vaccinations include 3day, tick fever, 7in1, and Vibrio. Vet checks and semen morphology test have been carried out and we have had an exceptional result this year. I believe this is an indication of the overall health and fitness of our bulls, setting them up for a long and productive life.

We have been avoiding big, heavily conditioned sale bulls that look impressive, agents find easy to sell, keep the feed companies in business, but do little to meet the challenges of producing beef in the demanding conditions of northern Australia.

With seasons and weather conditions against us at present, it is more important than ever to have bulls that transition easily to their new task without the need to be let down. This year, we will be offering approximately 40 bulls at our on-property Helmsman sale at Bottle Tree Downs, Rolleston on the **16<sup>th</sup> September 2019**. We will be posting photos and information on Facebook and our website as it becomes available in the coming weeks.

We look forward to seeing you at Bottle Tree Downs.

Kind regards,

*Tim and Trina Patterson*

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