

Jaguar: Accelerating towards the world's next green nickel project

A long-life nickel sulphide project in Brazil's Carajás, ready to plug-in to the lithium-ion battery boom

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Underpinned by a high-quality asset at Jaguar, we are well placed to deliver on our target to be a clean and efficient **20,000-plus tonne per annum nickel** producer by the end of 2024 to assist in the global transition to electrification and to meet anticipated surging demand for key battery metals.

## A New Era of Nickel Sulphide Demand The looming clean energy revolution





- Nickel demand for batteries growing very strongly Nickel sulphate demand in batteries estimated to grow at 18-19% CAGR (2020-2030)
- Depending on the scenario for the EV rate of adoption, estimated nickel volumes to meet additional demand is between 1-1.5 million tonnes
- Supply/demand balance estimated by WoodMac to move to deficit by
   2025 = positive for nickel price

#### WHERE IS THE NEW SUPPLY COMING FROM?

EVs and the path to decarbonisation require Class-1 nickel

Class-1 nickel will preferentially be sourced from sulphide deposits – low capital intensity, easy processing, lowest carbon footprint

Decades of limited nickel exploration means a very small pipeline of new projects, especially lower-cost, lower-emission sulphide projects in geopolitically safe mining jurisdictions.

CENTAURUS WELL PLACED TO BE PART OF THE SOLUTION



## **Centaurus Metals**



### A compelling nickel investment for a clean energy future

+20,000 tonnes per annum of battery grade nickel in sulphate over initial 13-year LOM



The team to deliver:

# Extensive Brazil & Nickel Experience

from Exploration to Operations



**JORC Mineral Resource** 

58.9Mt @ 0.96% Ni

562,600t Ni Metal



Post Tax NPV<sub>8</sub>

### A\$1.11 billion

with IRR of 52%

@US\$7.50/lb nickel price +US\$0.50/lb sulphate premium



**Low Carbon Footprint** 

### 4.69t CO<sub>2</sub>/t Ni Eq

lower than 97% of global nickel production

### Carajás Mineral Province

Tier-1 mining province outstanding infrastructure

**Mill Feed** 

33.7Mt @ 1.01% Ni

**Ni Sulphate Production** 

262,100t Ni Metal

**High Operating Cash Margin** 

US\$4.27/lb Ni

LOM Annual Cash Flow (pre-tax)

**US\$189 million** 

MRE growth opportunities:

65,000m of drilling 7 DD + 1 RC rig on site

### Brazil

Responsible Mining in an emission-friendly jurisdiction



**ROAD MAP TO MINING** 

Well-Established Mining

**Regulation and Tenement** 

**System** 

#### **FAVOURABLE TAX SYSTEM**

15% effective tax rate for first 10vrs of operations (SUDAM Program)



#### **ROYALTIES TO THE REGIONS**

Royalties split between the municipal (65%), state and federal authorities



**ENVIRONMENTAL** 

**Approval Process clearly** 

defined with Terms of

Reference issued for EIA

#### STRATEGIC MINERALS POLICY

Recently-created to assist in



approval process for strategic minerals; includes nickel



#### **RENEWABLE POWERHOUSE**

80% of Brazil's power currently generated from renewable sources



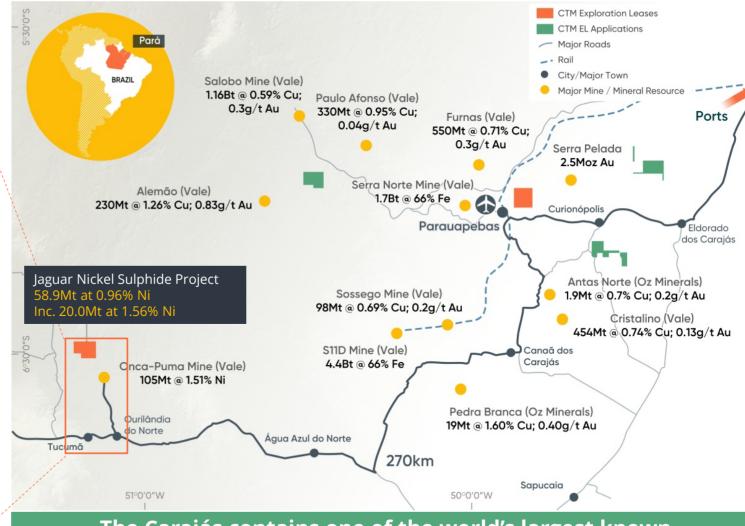


## Brazil's Carajás Mineral Province

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## A Tier-1 global mining province





The Carajás contains one of the world's largest known concentrations of large-tonnage world-class mineral deposits

## Brazil's Carajás Mineral Province Outstanding infrastructure and logistics

- High-Voltage (138kV) grid power **40km line** from Tucumã to site
- Brazil's national power grid runs on +80% renewables
- Low cost, clean power less than US\$0.10/kWh
- Project located 40km north of Tucumã and Ourilândia do Norte (pop +70,000) – mining communities with skilled workforce
- Sealed road access to Vila de Conde Free Access Port or rail to Sao Luis
- Ideally positioned to feed the global battery supply chain





Tucumã Township, Para, Brazil

Vila de Conde Port, Para, Brazil

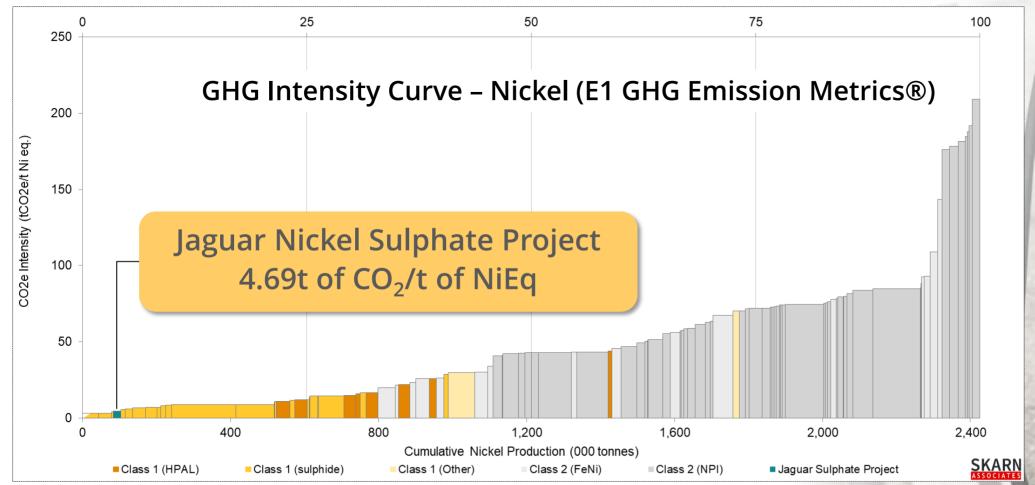






### GHG Emissions - Forecast to be a Class-leader

Powered by renewables & high-grade nickel sulphides





Life-of-mine CO<sub>2</sub> footprint forecast to be lower than 97% of global nickel production

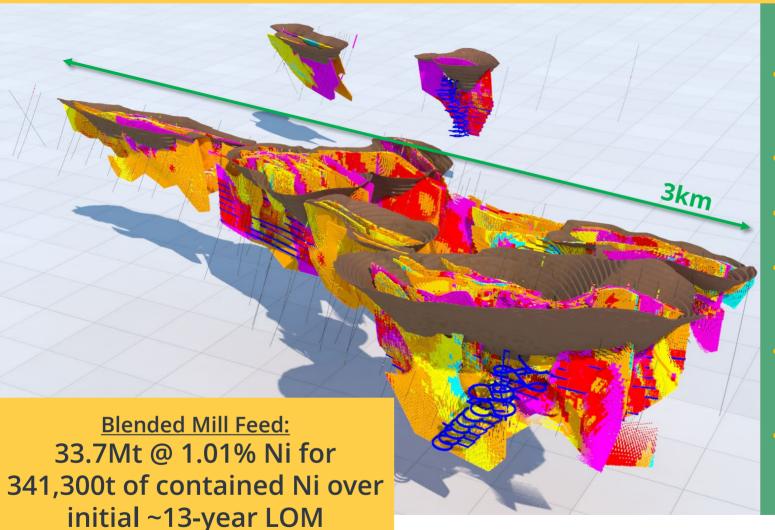
The best nickel tonnes are those with the lowest GHG Emissions and highest Operating Cash Margins

# Jaguar Project - Large-tonnage high quality Resource



Low-cost open pit & underground operations

JORC Mineral Resource Estimate: 58.9Mt @ 0.96% Ni for 562,600 tonnes of contained nickel metal



- Current JORC MRE based on +74,000m of diamond drilling
- 80% of MRE within 200m of surface
- 7 x Diamond and 1 RC Rig on site
- Next JORC Resource up-grade planned for Q4 2021
- +75% of mill feed from open pit; LOM strip-ratio of 6.5:1
- +60% of Mill Feed in Indicated Resource Category

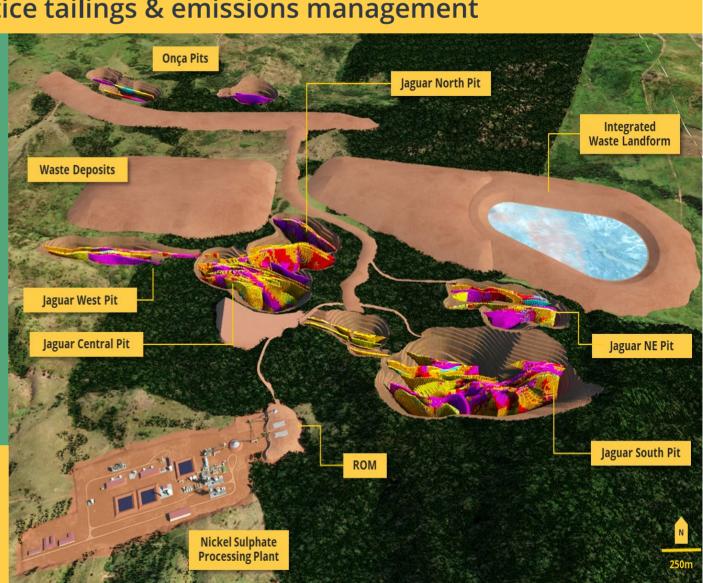
# **Jaguar Project - Compelling Economics**

# Nickel sulphate plant to treat 2.7Mtpa

Targeting world's best-practice tailings & emissions management

- Processing Plant Capacity 2.7Mtpa
- Development Capital US\$288 million
- Low capital intensity US\$14,500/tAnnual Ni Prod'n
- After Tax Payback 1.8 Years
- Integrated Waste Landform (IWL):
  - Optimises use of mine waste
  - Highest safety factor against embankment failure

At US\$9.00/lb LOM Ni price, post tax NPV<sub>8</sub> **A\$1.62 billion with 70% IRR** 



# Jaguar Project – Approvals & Stakeholder Engagement Building relationships now and for the future



#### **Environmental Approvals On-Track**

- Majority of the project footprint already disturbed (pasture land)
- Lodgement of EIA/RIMA completed August 2021

#### **Land Access**

• Secured possession of two key properties that cover an area of 1,500 hectares for the long-term benefit of the Project.

#### **Social Programs Underway**

- Public/Private Partnership with Sao Felix municipality to upgrade roads
- Social programs with local communities, focus on health and water quality
- Set to contribute over R\$2.0 billion (+US\$400 million) in taxes and government royalties 65% of royalties goes to local municipalities

#### Health & Safety and our COVID-19 Response

• 100-person site exploration camp operational to mitigate risk of COVID-19 transmission – closely supporting local health services

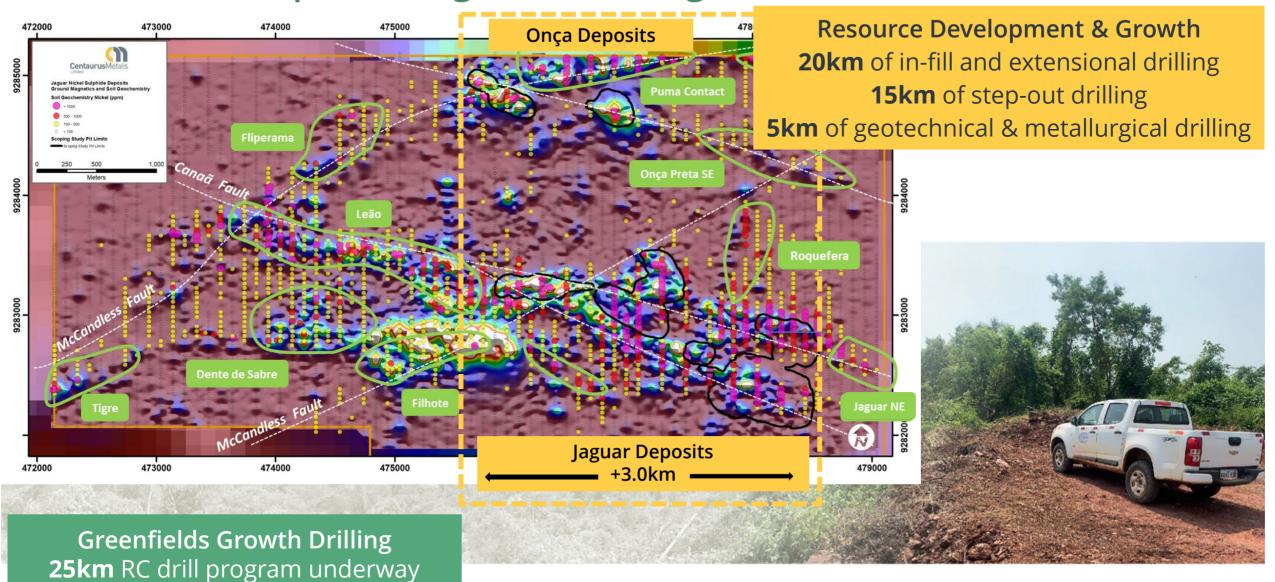




# Jaguar Project - Resource Growth and Upside

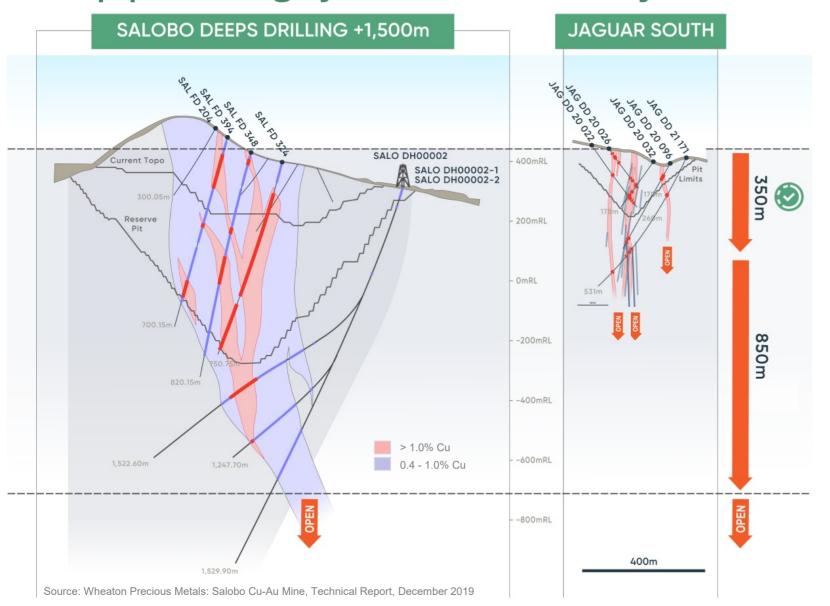


65km of development & growth drilling for 2021



# Jaguar Project – Resource Growth and Upside Deep plumbing systems in the Carajás





World-class Carajás IOCG deposits hosted in regional-scale structures.

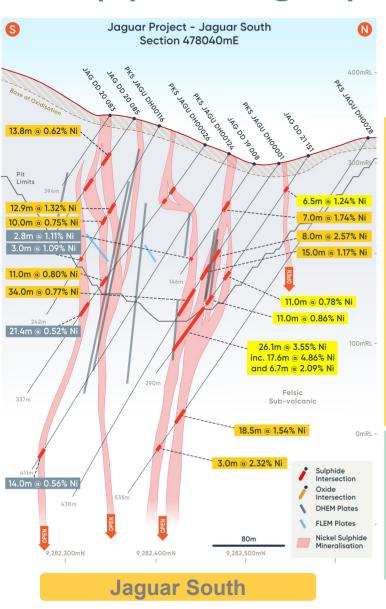
Salobo (Cu-Au) Mine, mineralisation to depths of +1,500m and remains open!

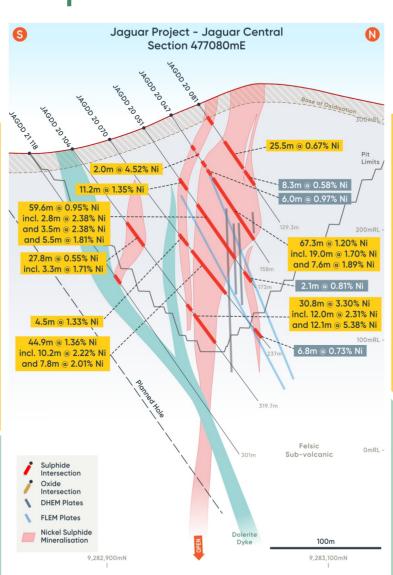
JAGUAR IS JUST GETTING
STARTED

# Jaguar Project – Resource Growth and Upside Deep plumbing - open at depth & below UG stope limits

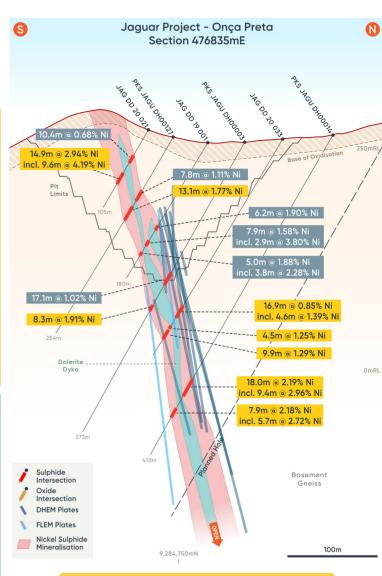
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**Jaguar Central** 

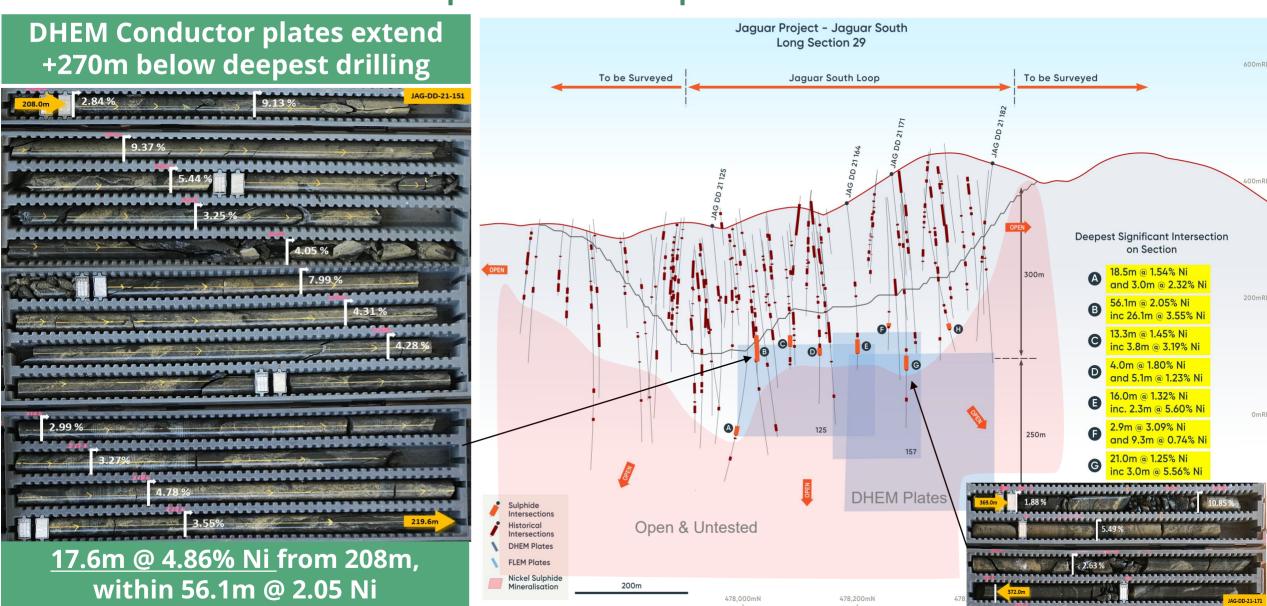


**Onca Preta** 

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# Jaguar Project – Resource Growth and Upside DHEM to drive more deep massive sulphide discoveries



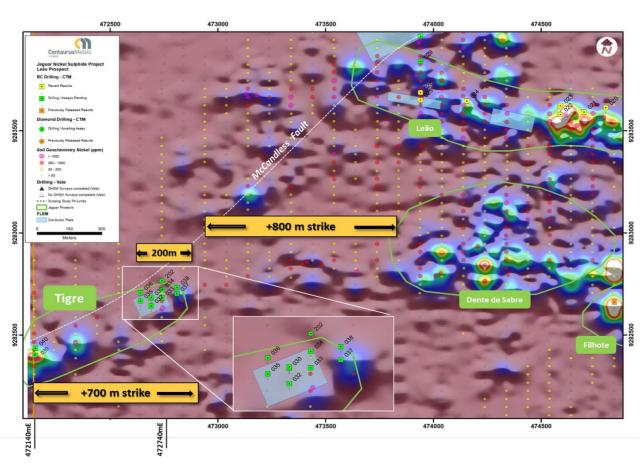


# Jaguar Project – Greenfields Discovery Pipeline



The Tigre Prospect – the next cat off the rank?





Tigre greenfields discovery drilling has intersected nickel sulphide mineralisation up to 10m thick over 700m strike

#### **Exploration Pipeline**

Tigre



Leão



Dente de Sabre

**Twister** 

Roquefera

**Puma Contact** 

Fliperama

**Jaguar Central Sul** 

Onça Preta SE

**Jaguar NE Extension** 

Filhote (PGEs)



# Jaguar Project Targeted Development Timeline





Q3/2021 – Lodge Key Environmental Licence



Q1/2021– MRE Upgrade & Scoping Study Results



# **Corporate Summary**





Capital Structure	October 2021			
Shares on Issue	358m			
Unlisted Options	12m			
Top 20 Holders	62%			
Market Capitalisation (\$1.05)	A\$376m			
Cash – 30/9/21	A\$16m			
Other Significant Assets	Jambreiro Iron Ore Project			
Substantial Shareholders				
Sprott Inc.	9.6%			
McCusker Holdings Pty Ltd	8.0%			
Harmanis Holdings	5.2%			
Dundee Corporation	5.1%			
Board and Management	4.5%			
Broker Research	Analyst			
Argonaut	George Ross			
Sprott	Brock Salier			
Euroz Hartleys	Jon Bishop			
Canaccord Genuity	Paul Howard			

### Centaurus

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## Key investment takeaways

- **Nickel focus** sustainable nickel sulphide asset leveraged to strong long-term Class-1 nickel market outlook
- Extremely low carbon footprint estimated to be lower than 97% of global nickel production
- Favourable infrastructure-rich project location the world-class Carajás Mineral Province
- Globally Significant Maiden JORC Resource 58.9Mt at 0.96% Ni for 562,600 tonnes of contained nickel
- Project Scope currently shows Mill Feed of 33.7Mt @ 1.01% Ni for 341,300t of nickel to produce +20ktpa of nickel in sulphate and a MSP over initial mine life of 13 years
- Low capital intensity, low operating costs and strong cash flow generation (A\$252 million per annum LOM)
- Strong returns: Post-tax NPV<sub>8</sub> of ~A\$1.11 billion (US\$831 million) with a post-tax IRR of ~52% @ US\$7.50/lb
- Outstanding growth potential deposits open at depth and along strike with further drilling underway;
   multiple greenfields prospects with walk-up drill targets (65km of drilling in 2021)
- The right team and well funded for exploration & feasibility study work

Centaurus represents a rare opportunity to invest in a rapidly unfolding high-grade nickel sulphide growth story, at the perfect time in the nickel market cycle.



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# Centaurus March 2021 JORC MRE & May 2021 Production Target



Domasit	Resource	Tonnes	Grade			<b>Contained Metal kt</b>		
Deposit	Category	Mt	Ni %	Cu %	Co ppm	Ni	Cu	Со
	IND	7.4	1.19	0.06	239	87.4	4.2	1.8
Jaguar South	INF	11.3	0.83	0.04	184	93.9	4.3	2.1
	Total	18.7	0.97	0.05	206	181.3	8.6	3.9
	IND	8.4	0.99	0.06	267	83.1	5.2	2.2
Jaguar Central	INF	1.8	1.06	0.06	269	19.3	1.1	0.5
	Total	10.2	1.00	0.06	268	102.4	6.3	2.7
	IND	2.3	1.08	0.14	349	24.5	3.2	0.8
Jaguar North	INF	1.0	1.12	0.28	353	11.4	2.8	0.4
	Total	3.3	1.09	0.18	350	35.9	6.0	1.2
aguar Central North	NF / Total	5.8	0.80	0.05	210	46.7	3.0	1.2
Jaguar Northeast	NF / Total	8.3	0.78	0.09	253	64.9	7.3	2.1
Jaguar West	NF / Total	5.7	0.80	0.04	150	45.2	2.1	0.9
	INF	18.0	1.08	0.07	266	195.0	12.6	4.8
Jaguar Deposits	IND	34.0	0.83	0.06	209	281.3	20.8	7.1
	Total	52.0	0.92	0.06	229	476.3	33.4	11.9
	INF	2.1	1.47	0.11	762	30.9	2.3	1.6
Onça Preta	IND	1.6	1.71	0.05	236	27.0	0.8	0.4
	Total	3.7	1.58	0.08	536	57.8	3.1	2.0
Onça Rosa I	NF / Total	3.2	0.88	0.06	251	28.5	1.8	0.8
	IND	20.1	1.12	0.07	318	225.8	14.9	6.4
Jaguar MRE Total	INF	38.8	0.87	0.06	214	336.8	23.4	8.3
G	rand Total	58.9	0.96	0.07	249	562.6	38.3	14.7

Mining Method	Material Type	Resource Category	Ore Mt	Ni %	Ni Metal kt
Open Pit	High-grade	IND	12.8	1.09%	140.2
	>0.6% Ni	INF	7.6	0.90%	68.1
		Mill Feed	20.4	1.02%	208.3
	Low-grade	IND	7.2	0.42%	30.2
	0.3-0.6% Ni	INF	9.0	0.42%	37.8
		Total	16.2	0.42%	68.0
		IND	20.0	0.85%	170.4
		INF	16.6	0.64%	105.9
Open Pit Production Target		Total	36.6	0.76%	276.3
Underground		IND	1.4	1.30%	17.6
		INF	7.1	0.96%	67.9
<b>Underground Production Targ</b>	et	Mill Feed	8.5	1.01%	85.4
		IND	21.4	0.88%	187.9
		INF	23.7	0.73%	173.8
Total Production Target		Total	45.0	0.80%	361.7
Ore-sorter Product*		Mill Feed	4.8	0.98%	47.3
LOM Mill Feed		<u>Total</u>	33.7	1.01%	341.3

<sup>\*</sup>Ore-sorter product has been processed pre-concentrator

<sup>\*</sup> Within 200m of surface cut-off grade 0.3% Ni; more than 200m from surface cut-off grade 1.0% Ni; Totals are rounded to reflect acceptable precision, subtotals may not reflect global totals.