

# MOUNT EDWARD

Mount Edward is a small wine grower located in the heart of the Gibbston grapegrowing district, 25 km from Queenstown, in Central Otago, New Zealand.

Co-owner Alan Brady was the first to plant grapes in this valley in 1981, fellow owner and winemaker Duncan Forsyth, has been making wine in Central Otago for the past 13 years and together they grow Mount Edward's wines.

Mount Edward's vineyards are in the Cromwell basin and Gibbston valley and using traditional approaches to winemaking endeavour to produce wines which reflect site and season.

## **MOUNT EDWARD MORRISON VINEYARD PINOT NOIR 2008**

Grapes from the Lowburn sub region were used to make this, our second single release from the Morrison vineyard.

Vinified in a traditional fashion using open fermenters, hand plunging wild yeasts and natural malolactic fermentation, 14 months in French oak, 30 % new.

Our 2008 Morrison is a textural wine built around elegance and balance. What sets it apart is its aromatics, a perfumed nose with lovely floral notes and a solid core of luscious fruit, a wine of considerable depth. We have no idea of how long this will cellar however hazard a well educated guess of 10 years without trouble.

No filtration or fining, deposits may form. Harvested at 6 t/ha Average brix 24.  
Bottled June 09, released Feb 2010. 80 cases made. 13.8% alc  
Sealed with a screwcap.

## **Vineyards**

**Morrison Vineyard** is a 12 ha property with a 7.5 hectare vineyard situated at the foothills of the Lowburn valley terraces, first planted in 1997.

The vineyard is comprised of two main soil types, schist based clay over fine gravels and fine loam over schist based alluvial gravels, elevation 220m.

The vineyard is planted with a mixture of Pinot Clones however this single release comes exclusively from the Dijon clone 777. It was cropped at an average of 35 hectolitres per hectare.