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Kawarau
E S T A T E



2005 RESERVE PINOT NOIR

*Made with organically grown hand picked grapes; bottled by
Kawarau Estate Ltd, 927 Wanaka Rd, Cromwell, New Zealand*

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750 mls

Alc 13.5% by Vol.

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Our Reserve Pinot Noir is open vat fermented and aged for 10 months in French oak barrels of which +/-25% are new with the balance being 1-5 years old. Harvested from our oldest vines in four or more distinct lots of which around 25% are whole bunch pressed, the wine is fermented with wild yeasts and undergoes minimal fining and filtration. Sweet berry fruits and savory flavors are combined with spicy characters on the palate to produce a rich and elegantly textured wine. It is a powerful, complex style of wine that can be enjoyed now or cellared for 5 years or more.

Tasting Notes: Displays black cherries, plums and boysenberries complemented by savory notes. Elegantly structured and a great balance of fruit, tannin and acidity – a stunning vintage.

Winemaker's Notes: The season was moderate by Central's standards, with only scattered hot patches through the summer and autumn. The weather over flowering was unsettled and was the main contributing factor in reducing crop loads. However, frost fighting was minimal relative to previous seasons and the combination of all these factors in conjunction with our canopy management systems, resulted in fruit of excellent quality. In addition, the vines were tagged during veraison enabling us to harvest selectively to ensure consistent levels of ripeness in the ferments.

Cellar Until: 2011+

Technical Notes: Picked April-May 2005; tons harvested 5.214; tons/hectare 2.14; bottled March 2006; brix at harvest 24; alcohol 13.5%; residual sugars g/l 0

Winemaker: Dean Shaw, Central Otago Wine Company

Awards: Gold 93/100 - Gourmet Traveler Wine
Silver - Air NZ Wine Awards

Reviews: "Elegant wine. Central Otago's best known organic producer is also one of the region's top winemakers. Appealing sweet dark cherry and plum flavors are supported by good acidity and fine tannins. Impressive power." *Bob Campbell*

"Bright ruby and pink with a youthful pink rim. Distinctive aromas of ripe morello and preserved cherry, chocolate, red berries, forest floor, mushroom and spices. The palate is juicy, youthful and reflects the cherry and red berry fruits along with ripe fruit tannins, balancing wood and wood tannins. The long finish and developing complexity will reward those who select this wine." *Cameron Douglas*