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Kawarau
E S T A T E



2006 Pinot Noir

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

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750 ml

Alc 13.5% by Vol.

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Our Estate Pinot Noir is open vat fermented and aged for 10 months in French oak barrels aged between 1 and 5 years old. Generally harvested from our younger vines, we do not use any whole bunch pressings to retain the purity of the fruit statement but we still ferment with wild yeasts and the wine undergoes minimal fining and filtration. Sweet ripe berry fruits predominate in a wine that has been crafted to be enjoyed in its youth or cellared for up to 5 years during which time the wine will soften and develop those subtle characters unique to Kawarau Pinot Noir.

Tasting Notes: Displays cherries, blackcurrant and raspberry aromatics and flavors. With gentle tannins, this is a refined and elegant wine.

Vintage Notes: An outstanding vintage for Kawarau – good bunch weights, neither over nor under cropped and excellent quality fruit. An early spring threatened a longer frost fighting season but it never came. The mild spring gave way to a long hot summer and an extended autumn. The excessive heat was counteracted with sufficient irrigation to quench the canopy's thirst and for the first time in a long time, we were picking with a green canopy – most unusual for Central Otago, but very welcome. The wines are looking good too – so 2006 could yet prove to be one of Central Otago's best.

Cellar Until: 2010+

Technical Notes: Alcohol 13.5%

Winemaker: Dean Shaw, Central Otago Wine Company

Awards: 4 Stars - Otago Daily Times

Reviews: "I enjoyed both the stylishly intense, serious Kawarau Estate Reserve 2006 and this charmingly fragrant, beautifully balanced wine with hints of spice and a firm, textural finish." *Charmian Smith*