

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.

Started in 1998, by the original pioneer of Central Otago wine Alan Brady, Mount Edward has evolved from its simple beginnings, growing pure Central Otago pinot noir and riesling, to a winery exploring the boundaries of what is possible with sub regional vineyard sites and the region's most promising varieties.

Winemaker Duncan Forsyth has been making wine in Central Otago for the past 17 years and together with proprietor John Buchanan grows and makes Mount Edward's wines.

Mount Edward's vineyards are in the Bannockburn, Lowburn and Gibbston sub regions. We use traditional and certified organic approaches to winegrowing, producing wines which reflect soil and season.

Vineyard: The 2010 pinot noir is carefully blended from 3 vineyards in the Lowburn and Bannockburn sub regions. Our estate vineyards of Morrison and Muirkirk, plus our grower vineyard Pisa Terrace.

All are farmed using certified BioGro organic practices.

The vineyards are planted with a mixture of the Dijon clones and cropped at an average of 35 hectolitres per hectare, all vineyards being planted between 1997 and 2000.

Mount Edward 2010 Pinot Noir

Vinified in a traditional fashion using open fermenters, hand plunging, natural yeasts and 12 months in French oak.

A heady and complex wine with drive and poise. Perfumed with strong aromatics, there is a range of complexed fruit notes of mainly darker berryfruits, some spice and dried herbs, as well as savoury tones. The 2010 has a silky and luscious texture with soft fine tannins and plenty of length.

No filtration or fining, deposits may form.

Bottled June 11, released April 2012. 852 cases made.