



Central Otago Pinot Noir 2004

04 was a challenging year for all. For many in Otago it was their first introduction to making wine as Burgundy does. Oh yes the typical mistakes were made by the new people in the industry over cropping and inadequate frost fighting being the main influences.

BUT for those like Drumsara Wines that have had the experience of not only Pinot but also Central Otago's temperamental climate know that in addition to good frost fighting and sound management a key factor is *PATIENCE!* The Drumsara vineyards were one of the last to come in for the district giving an extra 2-3 weeks of hang time over the majority of Otago's harvest. This Extra time on the vine enabled the leaves to catch more quality sunlight. This helped the vines develop more fruit character, flavor and colour to be stored in the berries and so the secrets of Burgundy are slowly infiltrating the New World regions. *Miam! Miam!**

What you will experience.

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On the palate, bright intense fresh ground spices typical to the Central Otago region. A silky mouth-feel follows the delicious sweet ripe cherry/raspberry flavors and a flavorful melange of cinnamon, clove and ginger spices

**(Fr=yum yum)*

*Gerry Rowland, Napa Valley, Ca, USA
Winemaker*

from a Winemaking lineage since 1537



Born of glacial ice and rock

Some 400,000 years ago the Clutha River, laden with sediments from huge glaciers in the back country, deposited outwash gravels near Clyde. Subsequent extremes of climate, such as strong sand-laden winds that lashed Central Otago, blasted and sculpted these rocks to produce ventifacts (wind shaped and polished boulders).

Today the Drumsara Vineyard is sited on these ancient outwash gravels and the vines seek out the elements in the sediments carved from the land by these ancient glaciers and rivers. Over 400,000 years in the making now captured to the vessel for your 100% pure pleasure.

Drumsara Pinot Noir 2004

Drumsara's distinctive hand crafted Central Otago Pinot Noir displays characters of cherries with spicy bright berry flavour and a punctuation of white pepper. Recommended Cellaring 2005 – 2009. This wine is sealed with a screwcap to ensure optimum quality.

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Produced and Bottled by:
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Contains approx 8 standard drinks.

Contains Preservative 220. Fish & Milk products may have been used to purify this wine, trace elements, natural saccharins and tannins may remain in accordance with traditional winemaking techniques.

Wine of New Zealand, Central Otago

13,5% Alc/vol

L0405

750ml

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Vineyard Designation: 100% Drumsara Vineyard

Clones: Pinot Noir Clone 5

Harvested: ~ 3.60 ton/hectare

Harvest Composition: Brix: 23.2 & 23.9

Wine Composition: Acid: 6.1 g/l

pH: 3.7

Alcohol: 13.5% by Vol.

Yeast: 0% Wild, 100% Rhone

Wine Making: Batch Number: L0405

Time on Skins: Cold maceration 5 days, 23 days total on skins

Fermentation: Lot A: 100% Whole Berry, open-top fermentation, hand

Plunged. Lot B: 100% whole berry pump over

Cooperage: 100% French oak; 30% new, 70% 1-2 years old

Clarification: Lightly fined

Winemakers Notes:

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Batch L0405 Accolades:

Gold Medal Winner - 2006 Starwine International Wine Competition, New York, USA.

Bronze Medal Winner - 2005 NZ International Wine Show and 2006 International Cool Climate Wine Show - Vic, Australia

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