



# WAIPARA HILLS

SOUTHERN CROSS SELECTION

The Southern Cross constellation is one of the most striking features of our southern skies. Waipara Hills Southern Cross Selection wines harness the natural beauty and soul of the South Island, creating delicate, cool climate wines for your enjoyment.



## pinot noir CENTRAL OTAGO NEW ZEALAND WINE



### *Simon's Tasting Note*

- Colour**            *Deep plum red.*
- Nose**                *A fragrant nose of dark cherry, plum, spicy cloves and violets with a hint of tobacco leaf.*
- Palate**              *The rich dark berry and savoury flavours combine with sweet spicy oak, fine acid structure and silky tannins leaving a long lingering finish.*
- Viticulture**        *The grapes for this wine came from our Central Otago vineyard in the Bendigo region.*
- Vintage**            *The 2007 Central Otago season started cool, with plenty of frosts and even more snow on the near by ranges. By January the weather was much more settled and by March it was near perfect ripening weather with warm days and cool nights. The glorious weather continued right through harvest allowing the fruit to be picked at optimum ripeness without any pressure from seasonal influences.*
- Maturation**        *A mix of new and used French oak and stainless steel tanks were used to add complexity and retain fresh fruit flavours respectively.*
- Peak drinking**     *2008–2010.*

### *Wine Analysis*

**Alcohol** 14.0%    **Acidity** 5.5 g/L    **Residual Sugar** 1.9 g/L

### *Awards*

- 4 Stars - TizWine Tasting, 2009 (NZ)*
- 4.5Stars 93/100 - Penguin Wine Guide 09, 2008 (Australia)*
- Silver - Mundus Vini, 2008 (Germany)*
- Silver - AWC Vienna International Wine Challenge, 2008 (Austria)*
- Silver - The International Wine and Spirit Competition, 2008 (UK)*
- 5 Star and Top 10 - Cuisine Magazine, 2008 (NZ)*
- Silver - Bragato Wine Awards, 2008 (NZ)*



*Winemaker  
Simon McGeorge*

