

MOUNT EDWARD

Mount Edward is a small wine grower located in the heart of the Gibbston grape growing district, 25 km from Queenstown, in Central Otago, New Zealand.

Started in 1998 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 and all from unique single vineyard sites.

Vineyard

Muirkirk vineyard is situated on Felton Road in Bannockburn on a gentle north west sloping corner. The soils are predominantly dense clay loam over gravels with seams of calcium carbonate running across the vineyard. We have 6 ha of selected pinot noir clones, mainly Dijon with some older 6 & pommard planted in 1997. Cropped at an average of 5.5 t/ha. Elevation is around 250m, GDD average approximate 1150 and rainfall approximately 400mm per annum. Farmed, under conversion, using bio gro certified organic practices.

Mount Edward Muirkirk Vineyard 2011 Pinot Noir

Vinified in a traditional fashion using open fermenters, hand plunging, natural yeasts and 15 months in French oak. The 2011 vintage produced wines of restraint and elegance. A soft and supple wine, lots of rich fruit with a good depth of flavour. Lovely acidity and fine tannins give the wine great length and structure whilst also making it very approachable on release.

No filtration or fining, deposits may form

Winemaker Duncan Forsyth
Bottled July 2012, released July 2013
307 cases total.