



## The NZ Wine Online Wine Club

### Connoisseurs Selection

### Mixed Reds

### Tasting Notes

Oct - Dec 2011

***You have saved over \$80 on this selection***

## Vavasour 'Redwood Pass' Marlborough Pinot Noir 2009



The Vavasour Redwood Pass Pinot Noir has a nose of lifted cherry fruit and mushroom notes. The palate moves on to dark, ripe cherries and beautifully soft finish thanks to a great acid balance. Tannins are very soft and unobtrusive - not grippy like some pinot's.

Drinking very well in 2011, this wine will continue to develop through to 2013.

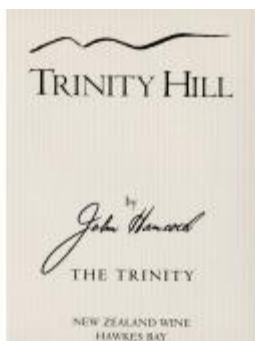
- Bronze Medal - Air New Zealand Wine Awards 2009
- Bronze Medal – Royal Easter Show Wine Awards 2010

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## Trinity Hill 'The Trinity' Hawkes Bay 2008



The bouquet is a mixture of the many grapes in the blend - From the Syrah: blackberry and black pepper nuances; from the Merlot: leather and plum aromas; from the Cabernet Franc: the aromatic spice and red currant character; and the cassis from Cabernet Sauvignon. The blending of the fruit characters from the 4 varieties and the spine of the Cabernet Sauvignon has combined to produce a complex, fruit dominant wine. The sensitive oak aging has added a further dimension to the wine without being obvious. Richness and soft, ripe tannins make this wine a serious yet eminently drinkable wine.

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## Mission Estate Reserve Hawkes Bay Syrah 2009



The colour of this 2009 vintage is dark and vibrant. The wine has a black pepper nose and also shows small dark berry aromas with spicy undertones. The palate is rich and medium-bodied with fine soft tannins. The tannins give structure to the good mid-palate and long finish. Cellar Potential 5 – 10 years.

- Gold, Air NZ Wine Awards, November 2010
- "Fragrant aromas of blackberry, pure and varietal, with hints of red berry and spice...." As the wine seamlessly glides across the palate, you could drink it now but you should probably keep it for a few more years. Outstanding" Winewise magazine, September 2010



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## Te Mata Estate Woodthorpe Merlot Cabernet Hawkes Bay 2009



Te Mata Estate Woodthorpe Merlot/Cabernets is a deep, red ruby colour. It has aromas and flavours of very ripe dark cherry and plum with spicy oak and a hint of milk chocolate. 2009 represented an exceptional vintage for Hawkes Bay. Match with red meats & hard white cheeses. Drink now-2014

- "Te Mata Estate's Woodthorpe Vineyard offers five single vineyard wines of eye-catching quality and value. Woodthorpe Merlot/Cabernets always reminds me of a good Bordeaux, with very satisfying depth of fresh berryish fruit flavours, some savoury, spicy complexity - and great drinkability." Michael Cooper, July 2011.

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## Coopers Creek 'Razorback' Central Otago Pinot Noir 2008



Deeply coloured for a Pinot Noir, this wine has a deep red/purple core and a red rim. The nose gives high toned floral notes, red cherries, Black Doris plums, hints of tamarillo and a lovely background of subtle oak. The palate is full bodied with firm, yet fine grained tannins and masses of sweet fruit in the mid palate. The finish is long and consistent with hints of spice. Drink now - 2013.

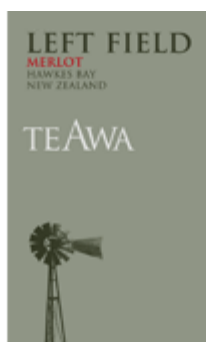
- Gold Medal – Mundus Vini International Wine Competition 2011, Germany
- Four ½ Stars – Wine Orbit December 2009
- Silver Medal – Royal Easter Show Wine Awards 2010

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## Te Awa 'Left Field' Hawkes Bay Merlot 2007/2009



On the nose the wine displays wonderfully aromatic notes of old leather, black doris plums and sweet fertile earth. Background notes of sweet vanilla, chocolate and slightly burnt toast add to the effect. The palate doesn't disappoint - plump fruits without being flabby and a subtle spice on the finish.

- Trophy, Air NZ Wine Awards 2010
- Bronze, Hawkes Bay A&P Wine Awards 2010
- 91 Points, [www.wineorbit.co.nz](http://www.wineorbit.co.nz)
- Blue-Gold Medal, Sydney International Wine Awards, 2011

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