

# PREVIOUS VINTAGES AWARDS & REVIEWS

## **2005 MERLOT**

Gold Medal - Romeo Bragato Wine Awards, NZ 2006

**Silver Medal** – West Coast Wine Competition, USA 2007

**Silver Medal** – New World Intnl' Wine Comp, USA 2007

**Silver Medal** – Finger Lakes Intnl' Wine Comp, USA 2007

**4 Stars!** Excellent & Elegant – Restaurant Wine, USA 2007

# 2004 MERLOT Gold Medals

West Coast Wine Comp. USA 2004 **90 Points** – The Wine Enthusiast, USA 2006

4 Stars - Cuisine Magazine, NZ 2006

#### 2002 MERLOT

Tom McDonald Memorial Trophy for Champion Classical Red Table Wine Romeo Bragato Wine Awards, NZ 2004 Best Merlot of Show

Romeo Bragato Wine Awards, NZ 2004

**Gold Medal** 

Romeo Bragato Wine Awards, NZ 2004

### **2001 MERLOT**

Tom McDonald Memorial Trophy for Champion Classical Red Table Wine Romeo Bragato Wine Awards, NZ 2003 Gold Medals

Romeo Bragato Wine Awards, NZ 2003 Liquorland Top 100, NZ 2003 Air New Zealand Wine Awards, 2002

# 2006 FLORAVIN RESERVE MERLOT

### **TASTING NOTES**

We closely manage the grapes for this estate grown Merlot. Excess fruit is dropped to ensure maximum ripeness, and the grapes are handpicked in optimum condition.

Aged entirely in oak for 19 months is a big, rich Merlot. It displays aromas of blackberry, spice, plums and cedar. The palate is full bodied and weighty with mulberry, blackberry, cassis, chocolate and spice flavours. Beautifully balanced and with a long and generous mouthfeel, this 100% Merlot is an excellent example of a Bordeaux wine. It is expected to age gracefully for at least 8-10 years.

Brix at harvest: 24.7

Residual Sugar: 1.5 g/L

Titratable Acidity: 6.0 g/L

Cases Made: 223

