

# *Louis Latour Agencies*

## **2007 New Zealand Vintage Report**

**Hawke's Bay** – A great vintage for whites and reds. The characteristic of the vintage for white wines is one of richness, slightly softer than the cool 2004 vintage and not as intense as the warm 2006 vintage. While the wines are rich, they retain a lovely seam of elegance that is the core of all our white wines, The 2007 Gimblett Gravels red wine vintage is, particularly the Syrah, sensational.

**Marlborough** - It was be a bumper year for Marlborough Sauvignon Blanc that reached almost 60% of the country's total crop! Consistently good growing conditions throughout the season.

**Martinborough** - Very bad conditions at flowering. Our Te Muna Road Vineyard was almost devastated by these artic December conditions with yields on Sauvignon Blanc less than 45% of normal, Riesling only 25% and Pinot Noir..... yes 15%.

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