HARVEST 2006:
2006 may be remembered as the year Oregon's orchards and vineyards produced record yields. Crop tons per acre this year were extraordinarily high across the Willamette Valley. Higher than normal rainfall in the winter charged soils with abundant water. This ground water enabled vines to flourish through the very dry summer. Harvest was hot and fast for most sites. Soil water may have been the causal factor for such a large average cluster size, but it also insured high quality and clean fruit from happy vines!