



ALVI'S DRIFT

FAMILY OWNED SINCE 1928
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WORCESTER



ALBERTUS VILJOEN Bismarck 2016

The History

Albertus Viljoen van der Merwe, Alvi to his friends, established a property South of Worcester in 1928 and his son, Bertie, started producing wine. Today the wines are being made by his grandson, Alvi. The property has grown from humble beginnings to the world-renowned Alvi's Drift wine farm it is today. The "Albertus Viljoen" range is the best of the harvest, fermented in barrels to produce an outstanding, complex and full-bodied wine. Bismarck, the beloved Alvi's Drift great Dane, and self-appointed custodian of the cellar was the friendly welcoming party to any guests visiting the farm. Bismarck, Superior in stature and loyalty, commanded respect as the undisputed alpha male of the pack. With the Bismarck wine, we honour his legacy.

In The Cellar

The grapes of each selected vineyard are vinified separately. Crushed and transferred into traditional open fermenters or roto tanks, where extreme attention is given to maximize skin contact for the intense colour and to extract the optimal ripe fruit flavours. The wines are matured for 22 months in a combination of new and second filled barrels, both American and French oak Barrels are used.



Tasting Note

A full-bodied wine with rich intense aromas of blackberries and mulberry with a hint of pepper and Vanilla. Firm, but well integrated tannins provide gorgeous structure and hint at a longer maturation potential. The rich, ripe fruit aromas follow through on the palate and linger beautifully...
The wine will mature for at least 10 years.

Cultivar Information

Shiraz 44%, Cabernet Sauvignon 27%
Pinotage 21%

Analysis

- Residual Sugar 4.5 g/l • Acidity 5.5 g/l
- Alcohol 13.7% • pH 3.6

Awards

- Gold in the Catavium World Wine & Spirits Competition 2018 and 2020
- Double Gold Award in the NWC & Top 100 2019
- Top 100 & Double Platinum Awards in the NWC & Top 100 2018
- 1st place in the Grand Cru National Champion Best in Class in the NWC Top 100 2018
- Gold Award in the International Wine Guide for Spain 2018



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