SIGNATURE RANGE CHARDONNAY 2021

Star bright and pale-straw coloured, this wine boasts an inviting freshness on the nose, offering aromas of freshly cut pineapple, lemon zest and just a hint of honey melon. Elegant and light on the palate, it has a moderate-yet-refreshing acidity that is well balanced with fruit following through to a clean, citrusy, lemony finish.

#### ON THE VINES

With an ideal Mediterranean microclimate, an abundance of soil diversity and water from the life-giving Breede River, the Alvi's Drift vineyards are ideally positioned for producing remarkable wines of unique character and complexity.

Our vineyards are sustainably fertilised with natural compost produced on our farm, and meticulously managed to ensure optimal quality and flavour. Come harvest time, our grapes are selectively hand harvested in the cool, early morning hours to ensure only the healthiest, perfectly ripe bunches are used for production.

## IN THE CELLAR

In the Alvi's Drift cellar, our winemaking team strongly focuses on preserving the fruit-driven expression of the grapes that go into our award-winning wines. For this wine, only premium free-run juice was used. Fermented in stainless steel tanks, wine was left on lees for several months before being fined, stabilised and bottled.

# **CULTIVAR INFORMATION**

100% Chardonnay

## **ANALYSIS**

Alcohol: 13.6% Residual Sugar: 4.7 g/l Acidity: 6.9 g/l pH: 3.0

## **PAIRING SUGGESTION**

Enjoy this wine with young goats' milk cheeses like Chevre or Chevin, or served with grilled prawns.

## **HERITAGE**

Alvi's Drift winery takes its name from the low-water bridge over the Breede River which cuts through the family farm. Albertus Viljoen "Oupa Alvi" Van Der Merwe was instrumental in having this bridge built back in 1930.

Oupa Alvi's son Bertie started wine production on the family farm and today Bertie's son, Alvi's Drift winemaker Alvi Van Der Merwe produces the winery's award-winning wines, enjoyed by wine lovers around the globe.

True to our winery's trademark, fruitdriven style, the outstanding wines in our Signature range offer wine lovers exceptional value. In the words of Alvi's Drift winemaker, Alvi Van Der Merwe, "think 'great', for the price of good!".

