SIGNATURE RANGE SHIRAZ 2020

With its youthful ruby hue, this medium-bodied red wine boasts rich and intense aromas of ripe, dark fruit such as plum and mulberry, with notes of pepper, savoury spice, eucalyptus and sweet vanilla. Fresh acidity and modest tannin, beautifully integrated with fruit gives this succulent wine a subtlety and elegance rarely found in New World wines.

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.

Once delivered to our cellar, hand-harvested Shiraz grapes are crushed before being transferred to fermentation tanks where they are left to ferment for approximately seven days. The juice is drawn off on skins to enhance the wine's colour and flavour intensity, after which the wine is matured in American oak, complementing its fruity character.

CULTIVAR INFORMATION

100% Shiraz

ANALYSIS

Alcohol: 13.7%
Residual Sugar: 4.6 g/l
Acidity: 5.9 g/l

PAIRING SUGGESTION

Ideal for enjoying with any red meat, this wine pairs well with mushroom risotto, or pasta dishes served with ham-and-mushroom sauce. It will also complement hard cheeses such as Huguenot, or mature gouda and cheddar cheese.

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!".



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