

ATLAS SWIFT

PREMIUM WINES

Our motto in life is simple – dream big, work hard and persevere with the tenacious spirit of a warrior to make those dreams a reality. We have always dreamed of having our destiny in our own hands, and to raise our two children in an environment filled with the love for what we do – to produce outstanding wines from unique terroirs.

We believe that we are firmly in charge of that destiny, and that the *Atlas Swift* range of wines is a culmination of hard work, perseverance and the multiplicity of distinctive origins, cultures, memories and energy." - Martin and Welma Smith – Proprietors.



Wine Introduction

Provenance is the key to the multisensory experience of wine, and at Atlas Swift we aim to make this palpable with a horizontal tasting of four Chardonnays from different regions. Each wine is a spiritual ode to Martin and Welma Smith's connection to the land and the fruit it produces, individual expressions of a particular place that celebrates the diversity of the South African wine realm.

The fruit hails from two cooler and two warmer wine regions and embodies the character of the land in the warrior woman depicted on the label. Each Warrior stands guard to protect this place and let it prosper. While you drink the wine, allow yourself to revel in the beauty of synaesthesia, connecting to each wine through personal reference captured in your sense of taste, colour, smell, texture, shape, and sound. Each wine is made the same way, yet a moment of awe comes to pass when one can see the distinct land it comes from and how it becomes tangible in the glass of wine.

Wine is a gift from mother earth, and as the warrior women who reign over their territories, guarding its sanctity and truth, they invite every person to immerse in their own experience thereof.



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Wine of Origin Cederberg Chardonnay

Located 250km north of Franschhoek in the Cederberg mountains, an area renowned for being South Africa's highest vineyard location, with plantings ranging between 950m - 1100m above sea level.

The soils are made up of a mixture of sandstone and Ferricrete. The high altitude and constant aeration create a cool Mediterranean climate with zero influence from the ocean and result in wines with a high level of natural acidity, poise, and incredible length.



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Cape South Coast Chardonnay

Originating from the Onder-Duiwenhoksriver region situated about 50 minutes drive east of Witsand - only 8km from the ocean and 100m above sea level.

The persistent coastal breezes help to temper the climate, while the common occurrence of fog during the growing season acts as a welcome natural air-conditioner.

The chalk and limestone-rich soil is high in sodium and potassium, lending an element of minerality to the wine, which ends with a saline, oyster-shell finish.



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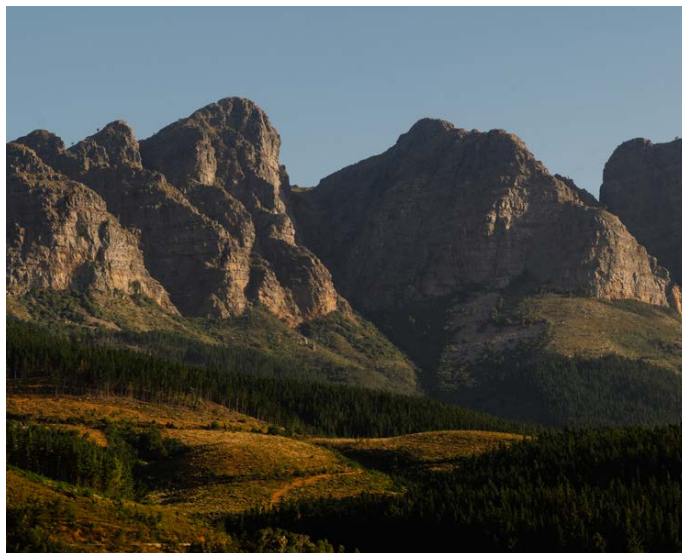


Wellington Chardonnay

Sourced from vineyards rooted in a combination of Glenrosa, and weathered schist and shale soils, some 70km east of Cape Town and overlooking the Swartland region.

All the vineyards are farmed "dry land", referring to the fact that they rely purely on precipitation from above, without the aid of supplemental irrigation.

These harsh conditions yield grapes with intense aroma and flavour profiles, akin to those of Burgundy despite Wellington's climate being warmer than France.



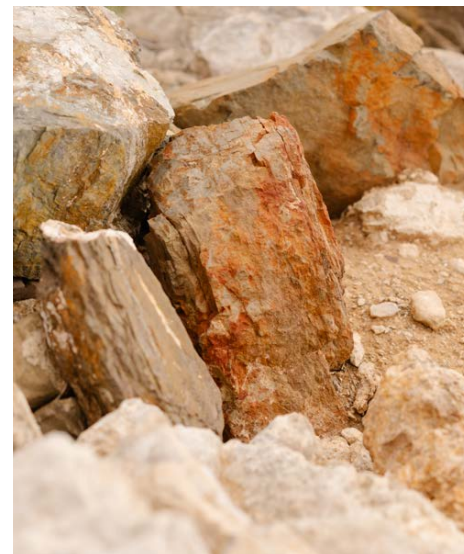
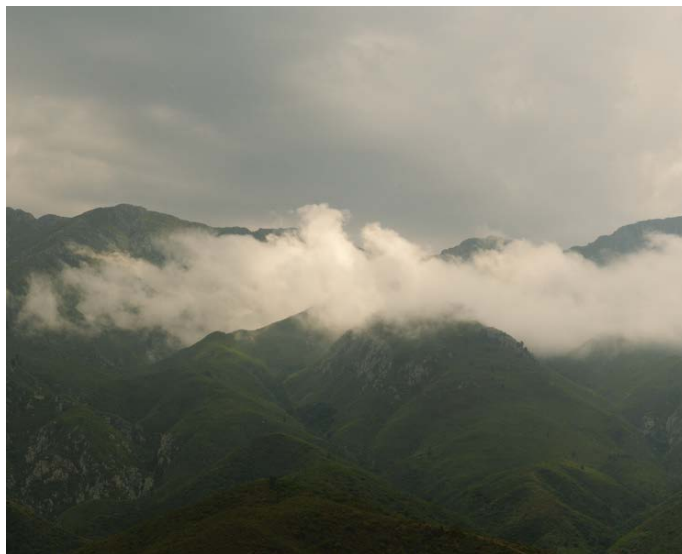
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Robertson Chardonnay

Situated 160km to the east of Cape Town in the Breede River Valley region. The dry, medium hot climate of the area is optimal to produce premium grapes.

The high diurnal temperature, i.e., the difference between the daily maximum and minimum temperature, aids in cooling the grapes down sufficiently at night and facilitates a homogenous dormancy period during the cold winter months. Immersed in limestone-rich soils, the vineyards add a chalky minerality and a flinty finish to the wine, reminiscent of the great Chardonnays of Chablis in France.



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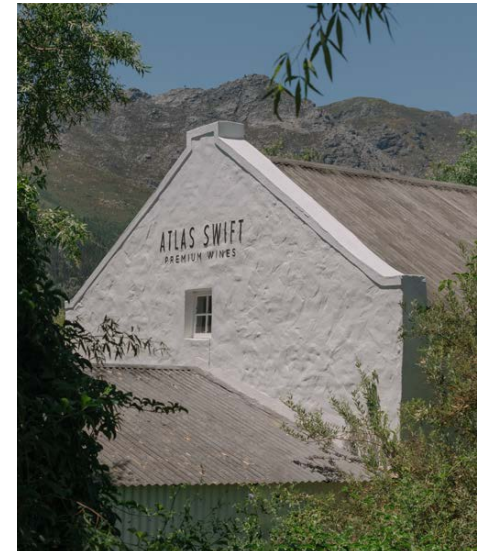


Franschhoek

Chardonnay

Franschhoek is a broad vineyard-lined valley situated 80 km's west of Cape Town, and is nestled within mountain ranges that borders on three sides. It has a warm, continental climate, ideally suited to the production of heavy, robust red wines and rich, fruit-driven white wines.

The mountains trap cold southerly breezes, extending the growing season and imparting complex aromas in the grapes. Soils are largely made up of alluvial sandstone, although there are deposits of granite on the slopes of the mountains in the north. Some irrigation is needed since lower slope sandy soils drain quickly.





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Shelter Red

A blend of premium red varieties focusing on Malbec, resulting in a silky, feminine wine with luscious red fruits and smooth, soft tannins.

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Shelter Chardonnay

A blend of components from the four different areas we use in the Atlas Swift range – same winemaking procedure but giving you the best of four worlds.



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Shelter Tempranillo

Spain's top variety is thriving in areas with Mediterranean climates. Aromas of Blackberry, dried fig, cocoa, tar, cedarwood, and hints of dill and anise. The wine offers firm tannins that give structure and length.

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Shelter Cabernet Sauvignon

The wine shows bright red colour with a deep black core. An opulent aroma of black fruit - cassis, black current and black cherries. The wine is medium-bodied with soft and silky tannins, leading to a broad and coating mouthfeel.

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