

## A FEW GOOD MEN

**A FEW GOOD MEN**, the flagship range of Riebeek Cellars, is inspired by a handful of dedicated farmers, viticulturist and winemakers who strive to create superior wines. It pays tribute to men like Danie du Toit, who personally delivers every tractor-load of the best grapes from his vineyards to the doors of Riebeek Cellars. He's one of six key producers whose devotion to quality sets the high standards of one of the leading wineries in the Swartland.

The success of A Few Good Men is also the story of Zakkie Bester and Eric Saayman, the winemakers at Riebeek Cellars and viticulturist Hanno van Schalkwyk. Working closely together, they identify the best vineyard sites for specific cultivars, carefully nurture the noble varieties on the vines and pay meticulous attention in the cellar to making the wines that proudly bear the legend, A Few Good Men.

Only the best is selected every vintage. Each block is vinified separately and matured slowly in small barrels to make sure A Few Good Men stands out from the crowd. Made in small volumes using innovative winemaking techniques, these estate-quality wines are only released when they're ready. Each label bears the name of the producer(s) whose grapes go into the wines. Says Zakkie Bester: "This innovative concept is making producers strive for quality – and it's very competitive. Every farmer dreams of having his name on the label each year."

Launched five years ago, A Few Good Men has gone from strength to strength. The select range – Shiraz, Cabernet Sauvignon, Merlot and Chardonnay – showcases the fruit-driven, new-world style of the wines of the Riebeek valley. Made in an accessible style with ripe, juicy flavours, soft tannins and subtle oak maturation, these are Swartland wines of origin with a distinct sense of place. Eric Saayman says, "A Few Good Men is recognition of the producers' efforts. We don't put the label on the wine unless it's very good."

Highly acclaimed on international markets, A Few Good Men is now available in South Africa. The wines of Riebeek Cellars have won many awards abroad at International Wine & Spirit Competition, the Concours Mondial, Chardonnay du Monde and Vino Ljubljana – and at Veritas, Michelangelo, SAA and the SA Trophy Wine Show.

Riebeek Cellars is open from Monday – Saturday for tasting and wine sales:

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