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Beginnings: Established by winemaker Martin Shaw and Master of Wine Michael Hill Smith in 1989.

Winemakers: Martin Shaw and Adam Wadewitz.

Vision: To make exciting, refined wines exclusively from the Adelaide Hills that reflect our sites and climate.

Vineyards: Shaw + Smith own two vineyards in the Adelaide Hills, at Balhannah and Lenswood, totalling 55 ha. The vineyards are planted to varieties that perform particularly well in the region, namely Sauvignon Blanc, Chardonnay, Pinot Noir, and Shiraz.

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2018 LV CHARDONNAY

Style: A fine boned Chardonnay that reflects the conditions of the vintage and the character of this unique vineyard site.

The 2018 vintage is very fresh with intensity of flavour including lemon pith and pickled ginger.

Vintage: Outstanding quality from a growing season that threatened, at times, to be tricky. After some heat in January, the moderate, dry and sunny months of February and March delivered beautifully balanced fruit. Crop levels were slightly below average, enhancing flavour and intensity.

Season: Sourced from blocks three and four in our Lenswood Vineyard. First planted in 1999, it has east and west facing aspects and reaches 500 meters above sea level. The soil is brown loam over clay with some broken shale and stone on the ridges.

Vinification: Whole bunches were chilled overnight, then pressed, before fermentation in new and used 500 litre French oak puncheons. The wine spent a further 10 months in barrel with gentle stirring.

Background: Since purchasing the vineyard in 2012, significant investments have been made to further enhance the site. It had always shown potential for a single site wine and in 2014 a small amount was selected for our first 'Lenswood Vineyard' Chardonnay.

Serve: A luxurious match with kingfish ceviche. Ideal temperature is 10-12°C.

Cellar potential: Will reward careful cellaring for up to 10 years.