



**ALKINA**  
BAROSSA VALLEY

## 2019 Alkina Polygon No. 5

A singular expression of Grenache from Polygon 5, a tiny patch of our old vineyard that we have studied extensively and picked and vinified separately. Wild in nature and darker in fruit complexion, this is a structured, brooding and intense wine with great tension and svelte, mouth-coating tannins.

*Season:* 2019 was an exceptional Barossa vintage, but also one with the lowest yields in the past decade. Dry conditions in winter and spring were followed by frost events during budburst and wind during flowering. January and February were warm, leading to an earlier than normal harvest. 982kg of healthy fruit was picked from Polygon 5 on 27 Feb 2019.

*Vineyard:* Polygon No. 5 consists of two very similar nearby parcels making up 0.37 hectares in size. Working with terroir specialist, Pedro Parra, we identified this polygon to be uniquely significant because of its heavily fractured schist composition. There are deeper soils sitting above a thick band of micaceous schist that contains veins of iron-rich clay within the fractures. NASAA certified organic and biodynamic.

*Winemaking:* The fruit was hand picked and sorted before being fermented with only indigenous yeast in one concrete tulip. In 2019 we chose to leave 100% of the fruit as whole bunches. Basket pressed and matured in one 500L Nomblot concrete cylinder for 9 months. 595 bottles and 60 magnums made.

*Varieties:* 100% Grenache  
*Alcohol:* 14.0%

*About Alkina:* Alkina is a new story on an old place. We seek to understand, nurture and ultimately express this beautiful land in its wines, its values and its experiences for visitors and drinkers. Our certified organic and biodynamic farm sits on the traditional lands of the Ngadjuri people and we seek to honour the land's Aboriginal history and to learn from their regenerative farming philosophy. We have 43 hectares of vines planted to Grenache, Shiraz, Mataro and Semillon, with the oldest vines dating from the 1950s.

