



ALKINA

BAROSSA VALLEY

2020 Kin Night Sky

The Kin label allows us to expand our winemaking knowledge while exploring new vineyard parcels and blends each year. Grenache, Shiraz and Mataro come together in '20 in a dark fruited and aromatically exotic blend with bold tannic structure. Tightly wound in youth, this will unfurl elegantly over many years to come.

Artwork for this label was created by Adnyamathanha artist Damien Coulthard: *"Diverse Aboriginal Nations across Australia share distinct cultural and spiritual heritage with their environments, including the night skies. The night skies; the moon and stars, like the land, are interconnected and part of an intrinsic, interwoven, continuous life cycle."*

Season: 2020 was a low yielding vintage of excellent quality. Yields were at least 50% down on long term average. Winter and spring saw lower than average rainfall with temperamental weather experienced in spring. December and January were hot and dry, but February provided much needed relief allowing gentle, slower ripening before vintage.

Vineyard: The fruit came from a mixture of Old Quarter (Blk 5&6 Shiraz, Mataro, P2 Grenache), Spice Garden (P14 Shiraz) and younger Grenache (Blk 22) plantings. NASAA certified organic and biodynamic.

Winemaking: The three varieties were picked and vinified separately before being brought together in a blend. Each was fermented with indigenous yeast and then matured mainly in concrete, with one parcel of Shiraz in older oak. An average of 75% was left as whole bunches. 2000 bottles made.

Varieties: 45% Grenache, 45% Shiraz, 10% Mataro.
Alcohol: 13.0%

About Alkina: Alkina is a new story on an old place. 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.

