

## 2020 Alkina Polygon No. 3

A singular expression of Grenache from Polygon 3, a tiny patch of our old vineyard that we have studied extensively and picked and vinified separately. An ethereal, intensely aromatic style with complex red fruit, florals and amaro spice overlaid on a rocky foundation and a great sense of energy on the palate.

Season: 2020 was a low yielding vintage of excellent quality. Yields were at least 50% down on the long term average. And winter and spring saw lower than average rainfall. December and January were hot and dry, but February provided relief allowing gentle, slower ripening before vintage. Just 968kg of fruit was picked at 12.5 baumé from P3 on 25 Feb 2020.

Vineyard: Polygon No. 3 is just 0.274 hectares in size and contains approximately 200 vines. Working with terroir specialist, Pedro Parra, we identified this polygon to be unique in its limestone content. There is shallow red brown earth over deep chalky sedimentary limestone which contains fractured schist and the limited presence of iron. NASAA certified organic and biodynamic.

Winemaking: The fruit was hand picked and sorted before being fermented with only indigenous yeast in one concrete tulip. All the fruit was left as whole bunches in 2020. It was basket pressed and matured for 15 months in a 700L Nomblot concrete egg before bottling and ageing in bottle. 680 bottles and 90 magnums made.

Variety: 100% Grenache Alcohol: 13.3%

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.

