ALKINA

BAROSSA VALLEY

2021 Kin Grenache

The Kin label allows us to expand our winemaking knowledge while exploring new vineyard parcels and blends each year. Displays all of the aromatic intensity and floral inflections you could hope for in Barossa Grenache. Vibrant red fruit overlaid on structured fruit-derived tannins and crunchy acidity.

Season: 2021 was an outstanding vintage with elevated levels of natural acidity, tannin, flavour and colour thanks to the long, cool later part of the growing season. Good early winter and early spring rains raised hopes of good soil moisture levels but overall this didn't quite follow through and it was a dry season again. January onwards saw cool, even days and a long, slow, even ripening period where phenolic development was in line with both sugars and flavour.

Vineyard: Fruit came from blocks 18 and 22, both planted in 2016. Block 18, picked on 25 Feb '21, is on a schist base with more clay. Block 22 was picked on 1 Mar '21 and has quartzite and limestone seams. It is elevated and planted to bush vines along the hill's contours. NASAA certified organic and biodynamic.

Winemaking: Fruit was hand picked and then fermented in separate parcels in concrete tulips, with an average of 50% whole bunches. Only free run juice from Block 22 fruit, while some Block 18 pressings made it in. Components were matured in concrete before being bottled in Dec 2021. 450 cases made.

Varieties: 100% Grenache
Alcohol: 14.6%

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 43ha of vines planted to Grenache, Shiraz, Mataro and Semillon, with the oldest vines dating from the 1950s.

Artwork for this label was created by artist and designer, Damian Hamilton.