



**ALKINA**  
BAROSSA VALLEY

## 2021 Kin Semillon

The Kin label allows us to expand our winemaking knowledge while exploring new vineyard parcels and blends each year. In 2021 we evolved our thinking for Kin Semillon once again, reducing the skin contact time and yielding a brighter, fresher citrus fruit interpretation that also shows wonderful, pithy texture and savoury complexity.

*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:* Semillon all came from the old vines in the Old Quarter. NASAA certified organic and biodynamic.

*Winemaking:* Semillon was picked on and just after 20 February. There were two ferments this year: one larger ferment in concrete tulip with 5% whole berries and 5% whole bunches; the second on full skins in stainless steel. Both fermented naturally and the concrete tulip was drained off skins after fermentation finished. The juice portion rested on lees in concrete and the skins portion on skins in tank for 3 months. The skins component ultimately made up 10% of the final blend. 2160 bottles made.

*Varieties:* 100% Semillon  
*Alcohol:* 13.2%

*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.

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

