



ALKINA  
BAROSSA VALLEY

# ESTATE GRENACHE

Marking our 10 year milestone in the vineyard, this new Estate trio draws upon 70 year old blocks in which fruit quality has increased significantly thanks to increased experience and viticultural focus. The Estate Grenache has beautiful shape, with tightly wound tannin around a core of red fruit, spice and dried flowers. There's a mineral edge to the flavours, buoyed by bright natural acidity and a real sense of tension and energy.

## [SEASON]

A long cold winter saw a dry start to the growing season, which proceeded with little rainfall and no disease pressure. This yielded open canopies and generally smaller bunches and berries. After our earliest ever start to picking, on 5th February, consistently warm days and nights meant a fast, compressed vintage, with yields right in the zone and resulting sugar, flavour and tannin development coming together beautifully. The last fruit was pressed on the 23rd March, just before Easter.

## [VINEYARD]

This new cuvee draws on excellent old vine fruit from Old Quarter Blocks 7 (48%) and 10 (26%), as well as Polygon No. 5 (6%), with the remaining coming from the young Block 18 (20%). There is more clay underlying Blocks 7 and 10 in this part of the Old Quarter, with some of Block 7 on limestone. Southern Cross Certified organic and biodynamic.

## [WINEMAKING]

All parcels were wild fermented separately with varying levels of 80-100% whole bunch and about 25-30 days on skins. They matured separately in concrete vessels for 12 months before blending in the following Spring.

[VARIETIES] 100% Grenache

[ALCOHOL] 13.5%

[PRODUCTION] 275 dozen produced

[CELLARING] Enjoy now or up to 10 years in the cellar



## [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 Indigenous history and to learn from their deep connection to country. We have 43 hectares of vines planted to Grenache, Shiraz, Mataro and Semillon, with the oldest vines dating from the 1950s.