



# ALKINA

BAROSSA VALLEY

## 2018 Alkina Polygon No. 3

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

**Season:** 2018 was a high quality Barossa vintage with average yields. Winter rainfall was strong but spring and summer were below average. Conditions in January and February were dry and warm with the latter significant for its higher than average night time temperatures. Just 718kg of healthy fruit was picked from Polygon 3 on 7 March 2018.

**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 1700L concrete tulip. 50% of the fruit was left as whole bunches and the rest destemmed by hand. Basket pressed and matured for 15 months in ten year old 400L barrel. 438 bottles and 90 magnums made.

**Variety:** 100% Grenache

**Alcohol:** 13.8%

**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.



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