



# ALKINA

BAROSSA VALLEY

## 2022 Kin Semillon

The Kin label allows us to expand our winemaking knowledge while exploring new vineyard parcels and blends each year. In 2022 we continued with the theme of 2021, experimenting with different amounts of whole bunch and whole berry in the ferments. The result is a punchy, full-flavoured Semillon with bags of character and texture underpinned by grapefruit and pith and a subtle fresh green herb note that lends complexity.

*Season:* 2022 saw a cool, but compressed vintage that stands alone in style next to recent years. After good early winter rains, it turned cold and dry, leading to delayed budburst and slow growth in the vineyard. After November frost and hail it warmed up through December and then Jan/Feb saw mild, slow-ripening conditions. A burst of rain at the end of Feb had us on edge before a warm spell ripened everything almost at once. Yields were right in the zone and quality was excellent, with complex fruit flavours and slightly lower acids.

*Vineyard:* Semillon all came from the old 1950s vines in the Old Quarter. NASAA certified organic and biodynamic.

*Winemaking:* Semillon was picked on the 2<sup>nd</sup> March. Again there were two ferments: one larger ferment in concrete tulip with 10% whole berries and 10% whole bunches; the second on full skins (of which 40% whole bunch) in stainless steel. Both fermented naturally and the two components were brought together on 9<sup>th</sup> April, with the skins ferment making up 7.5% of the final blend. No malo and unfinned and unfiltered before bottling. 210 dozen made.

*Varieties:* 100% Semillon

*Alcohol:* 13%

*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.

