

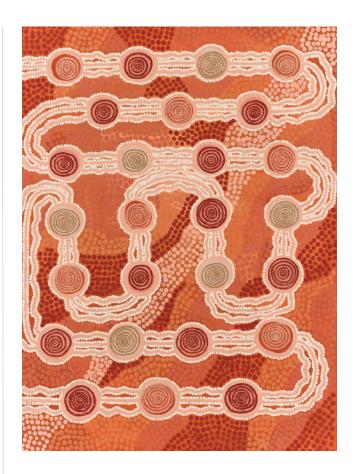
## **ABORIGINAL ART COLLECTION**



ARTIST
EMMA STENHOUSE

## TITLE JOURNEY THROUGH THE DESERT

## REGION NGARRINDJERI



Emma Stenhouse is a proud Ngarrindjeri woman and a contemporary indigenous artist on a journey of self discovery, deepening her connection with her family, exploring her heritage, and inspired by her love of Country. Emma encapsulates her knowledge in her storyworks formed by her deep relationship to land and guided by strong female role models in her community.

The earth is dry and warm bare feet step gently on the ground. Footprints appear in the red dust as we make our way across the desert. We feel the connection, we take the energy up from the ground and inhale the dry clean air. Our eyes are settled on the path in front, the track has been there for so many years, well worn and familiar, it is a comfort. The Country shows her different colours in the sand. Shades of reds, pinks and brown, and a gentle orange glow from where the sun shines low. Out here in the tracks you can almost hear the desert heart beat in time with your own. Time almost stands still out here, but gently we move forward.