

MITOLO

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2007 JESTER SHIRAZ

Vineyard Region
McLaren Vale



PRESS REVIEWS

90 Points

“Loaded with sweet red and black fruits, fruitcake spice and a lively juicy personality; the palate is fleshy, full and quite chewy on the finish.”

James Halliday, Australian Wine Companion 2010, August 2009.

“Jester Shiraz has so much swagger and panache in ‘07 it is frankly baffling. For an everyday price you can experience an extraordinarily well-honed red with valid delusions of grandeur, because this wine is made from the off-cuts of the likes of Savitar and GAM and it damn well tastes like it, too”

Matthew Jukes 100 Best Australian Wines 2009

91 Points

“The 2007 Jester Shiraz is dark ruby/purple-colored with an alluring perfume of mineral, earth notes, blueberry, black cherry, and blackberry. Smooth- textured, ripe, and intensely flavored, the wine conceals enough structure to evolve for 4-6 years. The finish is lengthy and pure. I was also shown the 2002 Jester Shiraz and, I know this is hard to believe, at age six it tastes like a small scaled version of Guigal’s La Landonne.”

The Wine Advocate, Great Value Australian Wines, Jay Miller, September 2008.

91 Points

“Bright ruby. Dark berry and cherry compote on the nose, with black pepper and clove adding nuance. Palate-numbing, peppery red and dark berry flavors are nicely focused, showing no rough edges and light tannic grip. Combines the peppery tang of an Old World syrah with the sweetness of South Australian shiraz-a tasty marriage in my book. Finishes with very good cut and length. This is delicious.”

Stephen Tanzer’s International Wine Cellar, September 2008.

4 Stars- Something Special

“If it's intensity you look for in a fine shiraz, then look no further. Mitolo's house style will suit your tastes perfectly. There's so much juicy dark fruit on the palate it's almost like drinking two reds at the same time. Savoury mocha characters also pervade the palate, while the finish is dry and clean. This is all about great fruit and innocuous oak. Delicious.”

Fergus McGhie, Handpicked, The Canberra Times, October 2008.

One to Savour

“Mitolo is a small family owned winemaker from McLaren Vale in South Australia. The winery was set up in 1999 by Frank Mitolo with renowned winemaker Ben Glaetzer as a partner. The 2007 Jester, named in honour of the jester Tarlton from the court of Elizabeth I, is a cracker of a wine. Rich, voluptuous and velvety, this shiraz shows ripe dark berry and plum flavours with added vanillin, coconut, liquorice and violets. It has an underlying spiciness including cinnamon and white pepper, and beautifully balanced oak and attractive tannins. There is plenty of flavour for the price.”

David Cumming, Define Wine, September 2008

“This wine shows more fragrant blue and blackberry characteristics than the 2006, resulting from smaller berries providing more concentrated fruit. Frank Mitolo says he is very selective in the oak used for the maturation of all Mitolo Wines. All five vintages of Jester Shiraz have been matured in French oak which was previously used for ageing Mitolo G.A.M. Shiraz.”

Sunshine Coast Daily, January, 2009.

Silver Medal, International Wine Challenge, 2009

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“Flowery red and black currant aromas with a spicy hit. Some charming and complex blue fruit flavours on a tightly structured fine, tannic palate.”

Winestate Best Wine Styles of 2009, February 2010