

# RELEASE 2006 MITOLO WINES

MITOLO

*Mitolo Wines* is a family owned business, borne of and led by the founder and owner Frank Mitolo's vision; to create a range of wines of individuality, integrity and utmost quality. Whether it is in the vineyard, or in the winery, or the work of the different coopers who source and shape the diverse barrels which are used at Mitolo, each wine is nurtured and developed with a zealous passion that spares no effort or investment to ensure that the best of everything is brought together to make wines of purity, elegance and power.

*"Another brilliant Australian winemaking operation. Mitolo only began making wines in 1999, but their impressive winemaking and meticulous attention to detail have quickly resulted in some outstanding wines"*  
*Robert Parker, The Wine Advocate.*



*Honor nostrorum liverorum pulchrorum*  
 "In honour of our lineage"

*G.A.M represents the first intial of each of Frank Mitolo's children, Gemma, Alex and Marco. G.A.M is dense ruby/purple in colour, and tight on the palate, consistant with previous vintages. The nose shows the tradition of ripe plums and spicy lifted freshness and seamless oak intergration.*

*Rich, full bodied and opulent, yet with a focus on finesse and multilayered complexity, showing the typical Mitolo softness and richness.*

"The 2006 Shiraz "GAM" (the initials of the Mitolo children) was aged in French and American oak, 60% new. Opaque purple in color it has an aromatic array of roasted coffee, violets, lavender, pepper, Asian spices, blueberry and blackberry liqueur. In the mouth it is altogether hedonistic. It will evolve for 5-7 years and drink well through to 2026"

**95 Points Jay Miller for Robert Parker, Wine Enthusiast, October 2007.**

Pristine powerful and purple fruit; blue and blackberries, loads of spice and a restrained use of oak for such powerful fruit; very pure and bright on the vibrant finish.

**95 points James Halliday, The Australian Wine Companion, July 2008**

2006 G.A.M SHIRAZ McLaren Vale



*Rubro et albo vexillum volitat, pro sanguine, pitale, sanctitateque et familiae honore*  
 The flag flies red and white- for bloodshed and righteousness and the honour of the family"

*From a single vineyard located in Greenock , 550 metres above sea level, the fruit for Reiver is barvested from unirrigated vines that are in excess of sixty years old. A continued statement in Barossa Valley elegance and approachability, this wine is dense opaque purple, and shows black fruit with ripe spicy and truffle tones and well rounded smooth tannins.*

*Inky black purple in colour, with masses of blackberry and cassis on the nose and a multilayered palate of leather, nutmeg and soft ripe.*

"The 2006 Shiraz Reiver is sourced from a single vineyard in the Greenock region of the Barossa Valley, the average age of the Reiver vines is 60 years. Opaque purple in color, it has entralling perfume of saddle leather, truffle, violets, pepper, blueberry, toast and blackberry. This leads to a full bodied wine which manages to retain elegance. Opulent, ripe and layered with spicy blue and black fruits, the wine has enough underlining structure for extended cellaring. Nicely intergrated and long in the finish, it can benjoyed over the next 12-15 years".

**95 points Jay Miller for Robert Parker, Wine Advocate, October 2007.**

A muscular wine, of great depth and power; the secret here is the delicacy of the oak handling for the fruit; the dark fruits are matched by reds ones, and the core is intense and chewy, very long and surprisingly supple.

**95 points James Halliday, The Australian Wine Companion 2009, July 2008.**

2006 REIVER SHIRAZ Barossa Valley



*Sui magna cauda caeli astra verrit eaque ad terram jecit*  
 "His great tail swept the stars from the sky and they flung them to the earth"

*Handpicked from the northern section of the McLaren Vale vineyard Savitar is Mitolo's flagship wine. Low vigour in this area of the vineyard heightens the fruit exposure, resulting in a wine that shows ripened cassis and restrained savoury tannins. Savitar is opaque purple in colour and shows earthy, cigar box, cracked pepper characteristics.*

*This wine is complex and reserved but will open up over time. Full bodied on the palate it has restrained tannins, yet great complexity. Low yeilding, this vintage shows superb concentration of flavour.*

"The 2006 Shiraz Savitar was aged in 100% new oak, predominantly French. Purple colored, the aromatics are a bit reticent initially, but soon scents of toasty oak, tar, licorice, scorched earth and blueberry emerge. This leads to a wine which is more structured and less opulent than it's peers. It will evolve for a minimum of 8-10 years and drink well through to 2040."

**94 Points Jay Miller for Robert Parker, The Wine Advocate, October 2007.**

**A monster!**

Showing a little reduction from more oak, the fruit weight of this wine is staggering: layers of fruit strip away as you let it hang around your palate for a seriously long time: the strong core of dark minerality shows just how complex it is."

**Selected in the best of the best by variety**  
**96 Points James Halliday, Australian Wine Companion 2009, July 2008.**

2006 SAVITAR SHIRAZ McLaren Vale

