

MITOLO

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PRESS REVIEWS

2005 REIVER SHIRAZ

Vineyard Region
Barossa Valley



95 points

“Very good deep purple-red: intense flavour of black fruits, spices and some red and black cherry; relative control is part of skilled winemaking with such material”

Australian Wine Companion, James Halliday 2008

“With talented Ben Glaetzer at the controls, McLaren Vale’s Mitolo’s specialities are shiraz. They are excellent drops in every respect from a very fine vintage...”

Sunday Telegraph, John Fordham, March 2007

“This is a gorgeous Barossa shiraz. Full of roast meats and smoke, coal and black, inky, slinky fruit, you can sit and smell at it for hours, and adore the taste of it too. Very ripe, very impressive controlling tannins – in perfect balance. There is a brightness to the fruit here that takes it into the upper echelon – I love it.”

The Wine Front, Campbell Mattinson, April 2007

“Rich and bark with a purple edge. The nose is all quality with strong blackberries smokey oak and coffee. The palate is deliciously full flavoured with wonderful ripe fruit brining in some dark licorice notes. Delicious layers of fruit, full ripe tannin before a wonderful long finish. This is a rich full magnificent warm flavoured well suited to the big red drinker. The epitome of Barossa Shiraz. All class.”

Murray Almond, www.vinosense.com, March 2007

“Indulging ...Sixty year old vines have given it power and clever oak maturation has added complexity and approachability. It’s a delicious shiraz that tastes as expensive as it is and goes particularly nicely with well-aged beef.”

Sydney Morning Herald, 17th March 2007.

“Deep dark blackish purple. Stunning aromatics here especially the plum, blackberry and raspberry characters. Intensely fruit driven in aroma profile again with a savoury character to it. Indeed hints of game, tomato vine and black liquorice nuances follow. The palate in turn rewards with juicy roast meat and velvety blackberry flavours. Seamless oak integration as well and smooth ripe tannins play their supporting role. Beautiful indeed stunning red wine drinking and a classic Barossa Shiraz. Try this with slow cooked beef.

Drink Now to 2025. 95/100.”

Paul Ippolito Talks Wine: Volume 28

“From a 60 year old Greenock vineyard, Ben Glaetzer has crafted a stylish and perfumed Barossa Shiraz. Plush with generous fruit and weight, this dense offering offers ripe and well proportioned blackberry and liquorice fruit with an extended finish.”

Wine-Ark, March 2007

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“The 2005 Shiraz Reiver, made from 60 year old Shiraz vines in the Greenock area of the Barossa, was aged for 16 months in lightly toasted French oak. Its inky/blue/purple hue is followed by a lovely perfume of flowers, blackberries, espresso, and liquorice, aged completely in 300 litre hogsheads, it offers stunning richness and length, and should drink well for 10 – 12 years.”

The Wine Advocate, Robert Parker, November 2006