

# MITOLO

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## PRESS REVIEWS

2009 JESTER CABERNET SAUVIGNON

Vineyard Region  
McLaren Vale



Frank Mitolo kindly flew in all of his new releases a few weeks ago for assessment and any one of them could have made this list. After forensic examination, Jester Cab was the champion of the Jester duo, once again, by virtue of the dribble of Serpico that it is kindly allowed to slurp. This inky addition makes Jester's fruit transcendental in its delivery of cassis, dark chocolate and liquorice flavours. This wine could teach the whole of South America about fruit/oak/alcohol balance such is its impeccable fulcrum of flavours.

**Matthew Jukes, 2010 Matthew Jukes Top 100 Best Australian Wines, May 2010**

### 94 Points

Dense purple-crimson; the wine is all about controlled power, the fist in a velvet glove; the medium- to full-bodied palate rolls black fruits, a touch of licorice and a generous dash of dark chocolate into a seamless whole; you know the tannins and oak are there, but no more.

**James Halliday, Australian Wine Companion 2012, July 2011**

20% of the 2009 Jester 'Monarco' Cabernet Sauvignon undergoes the same passito (Amarone) process as the estate's 'Serpico' label of semi-drying grapes. It displays a very deep garnet-purple color with notes of warm red currant, blackcurrant and dried herbs plus a subtle whiff of earth and black truffles. Crisp, medium-full bodied with a medium-high level of grainy tannins, it gives a long somewhat chewy finish. Drink it now to 2016+.

**erobertparker.com, Robert Parker by Lisa Perotti Brown M.W., October 2010**

If you're craving a big Aussie (wine that is) have a date with the Jester. Combines character with easy drinkability and warmth. Better with steak than traditional holiday fare. Impressive looking gift.

**LCBO Vintages Saturday, Billy Munnely, December 2010**

### 8.8/10

Kings and queens had jesters, one of whom this is named after, but why not modern leaders? The leader of the opposition? Meanwhile, this wine is no joke.

**Border Mail, Max Cruz, August 2011**

### 90/100

25% amarone method. Lovely pure, dark fruit aromatics. Bold, sweet, lush palate with well defined blackcurrant fruit and a nice spicy edge. Great definition.

**www.wineanorak.com, Jamie Goode, August 2011**

Jester are Mitolo's good-value, entry-level wines. They all offer lovely fruit purity. A proportion of the grapes for the Cabernet Sauvignon are dried on racks before fermentation, resulting in a rich red wine with clean blackberry and blackcurrant fruit and a firm, spicy finish.

**1000 Great Everyday Wines from the World's Best Wineries, Jim Gordan**