

2007 G.A.M SHIRAZ

Vineyard Region
McLaren Vale**90 points**

“Strong colour; dusty/bitter chocolate aromas lead into a powerful wine that really needs more fruit on the mid-palate.”

James Halliday, Australian Wine Companion 2010, August 2009.

94 points

“This Willunga vineyard tends towards ovet fruit and very rich styles, which ben Glaetzer tames through extensive maceration. This year it’s laces with ripe plum, dark berry and prune fruit, offset by the coffee and dark chocolate of oak. The length is impressive and it’s fine structured tannins tine down the impact of 15% alcohol.”

Tyson Stelzer, Wine 100, August 2009

Silver Medal, Japanese Wine Challenge, July 2009

91 points

“Inky violet color. Seductively perfumed scents of blackberry, mulberry, candied plum and smoky Indian spices. Ripe, fleshy and gently sweet, offering assertive dark berry and anise flavors and slow-building tannins. Repeats the anise and mulberry notes on the long, sappy, alluringly spicy, peppery finish. This wine is already showing very good complexity.

”Josh Reynolds, Stephen Tanzer’s International Wine Cellar, September/October 2009

90 Points

“Ripe in flavor and jazzy in style, with boysenberry and gentle tarry flavors gliding smoothly over polished tannins and lingering on the harmonious finish.”

Wine Spectator , January 2009, Harvey Steiman

91 Points

“The higher-end wines begin with the 2007 G.A.M. Shiraz. Purple-colored, it offers an alluring bouquet of spice box,black cherry, blueberry, and a hint of chocolate. This leads to a concentrated, ripe, layered wine with excellent depthand length. Already complex, it will continue to evolve with another several years of cellaring. Drink it from 2011 to 2020.”

The Wine Advocate, Jay Miller for Robert Parker, February 2009

94 Points

“Dense garnet hue with a glint of purple. Powerful scents of blackberry, blueberry and rum cake with hints of menthol and mocha. Ultra-plush tannins and juicy flavors of raspberry and Bing cherry. Vibrant acidity and layers of blueberry, leather and sweet tobacco in the lingering close.”

Lyn Farmer and Abraham Horowitz, BuyLine, Wine News, July 2009

“Generous and savoury, this brambly shiraz has a wild, smoky bouquet of prunes, raisins and blackberries backed by notes of cloves, cinnamon and nutmeg, plus a grenache-like whiff of treacle and polished leather. It’s sumptuous and brambly, with a deep, if meaty and rather baked palate supported by firm, drying and slightly metallic tannins, finishing with some length.”

Jeremy Oliver, The Australian Wine Annual 2012

90 points

“Mitolo’s G.A.M. features great freshness and verve this vintage, showcasing mixed berries, raspberries and blackberries framed by a generous helping of vanilla. Despite 15% alcohol, it comes across as balanced and only medium in body, finishing crisp and long.”

Wine Enthusiast, December 2009

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“Dense, rich, spicy and subtly earthy with real concentration. Hints of tar. Very rich style with good structure”

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

92

“Testament to the winemaking skills of Ben Glaetzer. Black fruits here, some toasty oak. A big, rich McLaren Vale style.”

Courier Mail, Ken Gargett, August 2011

“At Mitolo, alongside owner Frank Mitolo, is it’s famous winemaker Ben Glaetzer. It’s a partnership which has resulting in stunning shirazes, including this, named after the initials of Frank’s children (although the name has often confused drinkers trying to figure out what grape the “A” is, after grenache and mourvedre). Heavy taints of purple ink and dark viscous stains on the inside of the glass prepare you for what’s ahead. Intense nose of ripe plums, blackcurrant, dark jam and sweet spices. Opulent on the palate: juicy, yummy mouthfeel, rich and ripe, with textured tannins providing just enough balance. The winemaking ensures that, despite differences in vintages, I have always managed to find a great consistency in this wine. The only difference is the texture of the tannins, which keeps improving.”

Alvin Gho, Man Versus Nature, December 2011