

MITOLO

2009 MITOLO G.A.M SHIRAZ

Vineyard Region
McLaren Vale



PRESS REVIEWS

Matthew Jukes - Hall of Fame

2010 Jester Shiraz neatly takes up the reins from last year's 2009 so everyone can relax on that account. But this year my attention has been grabbed by the top wines from Frank Mitolo, notably 2009 Savitar, 2009 Serpico and this spectacular 2009 GAM. The least expensive of the trio, GAM is more forward and has more expressive fruit than the brooding Savitar and Amarone-styled Cabernet, Serpico. GAM also matures at a slightly faster rate, too, meaning that it will beat the top of its game by Christmas so you should really investigate what lies above the Jester level because it will be sure to impress you enormously.

100 Best Australian Wines 2012, Matthew Jukes, May 2012

94 Points

Excellent deep crimson-purple; first and last a demonstration of regional character, with lush black plum in a wrapping of dark chocolate, anise and spice; pleasantly savoury tannins on the finish.

James Halliday Wine Companion-25 Red Hot & Rated, James Halliday, June 2012

92 Points

Deep garnet-purple in color, the 2009 G.A.M. Shiraz gives notes of blackberry preserves, warm black plums and creme de cassis over olives, underbrush, Ceylon tea and mace, plus a hint of dark chocolate. Full bodied and richly fruited in the mouth, it has a medium level of finely grained tannins, lively acid and a long finish. Drink it now to 2019.

The Wine Advocate, Lisa Perrotti-Brown MW for Robert Parker, February 2012

91 Points

This rich red is redolent of tobacco, roasted game and spices around a core of dark cherry and berry flavors, playing against fine tannins.

Wine Spectator, Harvey Steiman, February 2012

5 Star *****

Attractive and appealing aroma of cinnamon spice, jammy fruit, herb and spice. Australia in a glass - a giant explosion of ripe raspberry jam with a soft texture, great depth and balance. Crisp crunchy and long - knockout Shiraz.

Decanter Magazine, November 2011

91(+) Points

(\$45) Deep, dark purple. Pungent aromas of boysenberry and blackberry are complemented by dried flowers, smoky oak and black tea. Sappy, concentrated dark fruit flavors show a velvety texture and assertive spiciness, with no rough edges and a late peppery note. Finishes with very good precision and resonating vanilla and blue fruit notes. This benefits from decanting.

Stephen Tanzer's International Wine Cellar, Josh Reynolds, September 2011

Japan Wine Challenge 2012

Bronze Medal

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Tasted 12 Dec 2011 Drink to 2029.

James Halliday Australian Wine Companion 2013

92 Points

Wine Showcase Magazine, October 2012

4.5 Stars

Impressive aromas of espresso roast, cassis and spice box swirl from this mid-full bodied, gorgeously textured red. A huge mouthful of concentrated, fruit-laden flavours coat the palate with ripe mulberry, dark cherry and ripe, sweet briary berry flavours. It finishes in a balanced blaze layering on savory herbs, moderating acidity, fine-grained tannin and plenty of fruit. (Vic Harradine)