

MITOLO

Mitolo, `Jester` McLaren Vale Cabernet Sauvignon 2014

PRODUCER

Mitolo is a family owned winery established in 1999 by Frank Mitolo. Mitolo's vision is to create individual, handcrafted premium wines built on passion and an uncompromising commitment to quality. Winemaker Ben Glaetzer became a partner in the business in 2001. The fusion of Frank's intimate knowledge of the land and business acumen with Ben's winemaking talent has led to the creation of one of Australia's most exciting wineries.

VINEYARDS

The grapes come from the Willunga district of McLaren Vale, where there are heavy grey loam soils over sandstone, intermixed with black Biscay clay. These soils, combined with the maritime climate, contribute to an even ripening period and the development of rich fruit flavours and ripe tannins. Yields are around 10 tonnes per hectare.

VINTAGE

The 2014 vintage produced high quality wines with great colour, and bright, pure fruit flavours. Despite a few heat events and a lack of rain in January, McLaren Vale ended up having a gentle ripening period and near perfect conditions for flavour development, thanks to welcome rain and moderated temperatures in February, which freshened up the vines and allowed the grapes to ripen steadily.

VINIFICATION

20% of the grapes were left to dry on 10 kg drying racks for seven weeks in the traditional Amarone manner to concentrate flavour. The fruit was fermented on its skins for six days at cool temperatures to enhance the pure berry fruit flavour. The wine was then pressed and underwent partial barrel fermentation. Natural malolactic fermentation occurred before the wine was racked. This wine was aged in two to four year old French oak for nine months. Bottling took place in January 2016.

TASTING NOTES

Deep garnet red. Bright and fresh with red pepper, menthol and violet notes on the nose. Full bodied with juicy red cherry, blackcurrant and cassis, intertwined with savoury dark chocolate and tobacco. The Amarone component adds to a textured finish with great length and savoury tannins.

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VINTAGE INFORMATION

Vintage	2014
Region	McLaren Vale, South Australia
Grape Varieties	100% Cabernet Sauvignon
Winemaker	Ben Glaetzer
Features	Vegan, Vegetarian
Closure	Stelvin
ABV	14.5%
Residual Sugar	2.4g/L
Acidity	6.2g/L
Wine pH	3.5
Bottle Sizes	75cl