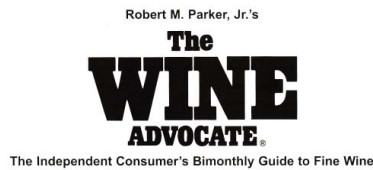


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## 2007 ELYSE PETITE SIRAH BARREL SELECT

*Reviewed by Robert Parker, WA #186 (Dec 2009)*

A monster in the making is the 2007 Petite Sirah Barrel Select. Composed of 91% Petite Sirah and 9% Zinfandel, it reveals abundant aromas of blackberries and blueberries intermixed with hints of crushed rocks, espresso roast, and Chinese black tea. Deep, rich, and full-bodied, it will benefit from 4-5 years of cellaring, and should last for two decades or more.

## 2005 ELYSE CABERNET SAUVIGNON

**TIETJEN VINYARD, NAPA VALLEY**

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Black cherries and cassis abound in this incisively varietal, very carefully crafted offering, and the impressions of complexity and concentration that show in its nose are confirmed by its well-focused, deeply filled flavors. It finishes with a bit of the tannic toughness expected from young Cabernet Sauvignon, but its persistent fruit outdistances everything else and points the way to a very bright future ahead.

## 2006 ELYSE AKA ZINFANDEL, NAPA VALLEY

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87% Zinfandel; 13% Petite Sirah. Persistent elements of well-ripened berries keep this solid effort on the varietal track while accents of caramel, vanilla and pencil-lead spice lend a twist of complexity throughout. Well-balanced, moderately full-bodied and fairly supple in feel, it is a big wine that is driven more by fruit than by ripeness, and, if fairly complete at the moment, it has a good chance of aging into better if allowed another three or four years in the cellar.

## 2006 ELYSE PETITE SIRAH RUTHERFORD

*Stephen Tanzer*

Bright medium ruby. Vibrant aromas of blackberry, licorice and pepper. Densely packed and chewy, with very good definition and lift to the palatesaturating flavors of blackberry, kirsch and cracked pepper. A lively fruit bomb of a petite sirah, finishing with tannins that dust the front teeth. A very good example of this variety, and long on personality.

