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The Best of 2007

Wine Spectator

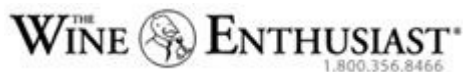
Washington Hits Its Stride With Cabernet and Syrah

"... America's No. 2 wine-producing state... now excels with Cabernet Sauvignon and, increasingly, Syrah. ... a **stunning Syrah from Betz Family Winery, La Côte Rousse 2004 (95 points)** ... pretty much encapsulates what Washington does best."

San Francisco Chronicle

TOP 100 WINES of 2007 The Best of the West

2005 Betz Family Winery La Côte Rousse Syrah
"Few winemakers also hold a Master of Wine certification, but Bob Betz has more than earned his. Both of his Syrahs, *La Serenne* and *La Côte Rousse*, were excellent, but this year we sided with the *Côte Rousse*, sourced from two Red Mountain vineyards and showing more elegance than the raw power that wines from that tiny appellation often exhibit. The nose is **heady, packed with bacon, brown spices and white mineral, and the wine's gifted with an extravagant palate of salted plum, blackberry and chewy game meat flavors.**"



#5 of the Top 50 Cellar Selections for 2007
2005 Syrah La Côte Rousse 94 Points
"...offers perfectly ripened, silky, beautifully proportioned flavors of mixed fruits, highlighted with Rhone-like notes of mineral, forest floor, truffle and smoke..."



Sunset Magazine Western Wine Awards 2007 Bob Betz, MW, Winemaker of the Year

"... the knowledge of an academic propelled by the passion of an artisan... .. Betz helped establish the quality that put Washington on the map..."



Robert Parker's Wine Advocate

2005 Syrah La Côte Rousse 93 points

"... nearly black in color. It has a **multi-dimensional bouquet of violets, smoked meat, game, chocolate, black raspberry, and blueberry.** This leads to a loaded, dense, full-bodied wine with **layers of spicy, ripe blue and black fruits, silky tannins, great balance, and a 45+ second finish...**"

2005 Syrah La Serenne 93 points

"... with aromas of smoke, meat, chocolate, and blueberry leaping from the glass. **Velvety-textured, dense, and rich, the wine has remarkable concentration and great integration** of the oak, tannin, and acidity..."

2005 Syrah Chapitre 3 94 points

"... perfume of **cedar, vanilla, mocha, plums, bacon, sausage, and blueberry. Plush on the palate with layers of flavor** (smoke and tar make a presence), this supple-textured wine somehow manages a sense of elegance. The finish is very, very long..."

2005 Clos de Betz 92 points

"... opaque purple colored with bright aromas of pain grille, spice box, cranberry, clove, cassis, and black currant. This is followed by a harmonious, **layered wine with tons of flavor, well-concealed tannins, and outstanding length...**"

2005 Cabernet Sauvignon Père de Famille 90 points

"... **mineral, pencil lead, espresso, black currant, and blackberry aromas emerge. This is followed by a supple-textured wine with gobs of fruit ...**

2005 Le Parrain 96 points

"... Opaque purple with superb aromatics including pain grille, plum, blackberry, and black currant, the wine is **full-throttle on the palate with huge extract, great depth and concentration, layers of spicy blue and black fruits, licorice, and chocolate.** This promising wine requires a decade of cellaring and should provide pleasure through 2045."



Washington Wines and Wineries

Paul Gregutt

"...The *Père de Famille* Cabernet Sauvignon is a stunning wine, packed with a rainbow of fruit flavors. **Cassis, blueberry, black currant, black cherry and more reveal themselves in layers...**"



2004 Cabernet Sauvignon Père de Famille 92 Points

"Bob Betz's yin-yang statement - a cabernet that blends the power of Red Mountain fruit and the finesse of Horse Heaven Hills. ... all cigar box and cassis while the palate bears a top note of red cherry... **powerful, concentrated and unrelenting, but there's also a sense of purity**, with plum and earth flavors building through a long and arresting finish."

2004 Clos de Betz 92 points

"... smells like **devil's food cake with fudge frosting**. The wine is beefy and massive, with plenty of cocoa-sweet oak in the attack; but in the middle the wine turns savory and brightens to juicy cherry, leaving the finish surprisingly brisk."

"For the sheer precision of his winemaking, his attention to detail, technical knowledge and expansive knowledge of global wines, Bob Betz is almost without peer."

2004 Père de Famille Cabernet Sauvignon

"Deep and sensual, the very scents are dense and textural ... **impeccable balance, a compact display of elegance and power**. Sinuous, supple ... cassis, blackberry, black cherry etc. Seamless, fragrant and beautifully proportioned... **95/97**"

2004 Clos de Betz

"... **beautifully aromatic** ... nothing bloated or overdone, ... with subtle, intricate flavors of mixed fruits, scintillating whiffs of herb, and supple, sweet tannins. **93/95**"

Cellar Selection

2004 La Côte Rousse Syrah 94 points

"... **perfectly ripened, silky, beautifully proportioned flavors of mixed fruits, ... mineral, forest floor, truffle and smoke.**"

2004 La Serenne Syrah 93 points

"... complex aromas and flavors whose ebullient mix includes wild herb, citrus, spiced plum, posh cherry and luscious vanilla cream. **It's killer juice, thick with tar, smoke and bacon fat.... seamless, sensuous and thrilling syrah.**"

Seattle Magazine Annual Wine Awards

BEST RHÔNE/GRENACHE

Betz Family Winery 2004 Bésoleil

"... lovely aromas of sweet, ripe strawberry, raspberry, smoke and spice. Lovely mouthfeel and polished finish."

2004 Bésoleil Red Wine 92 points

"... Bright and spicy, it **attacks the palate with the Grenache's powerfully concentrated raspberry fruit. ... all beautifully proportioned and blended...** pepper, sweet cinnamon and even a whiff of toast come into play in the creamy finish."

2005 Bésoleil 91 Points

"... **Highly aromatic nose offers black raspberry, leather and pepper, plus a sexy herbal element reminiscent of garrigue** Suave and sweet, with a fairly lush texture lifted by strongly spicy/herbal notes of black pepper and fennel. Offers a silky mouthfeel but boasts serious underlying structure..."

2005 Syrah La Serenne 92+ points

"... Sexy aromas of **black raspberry, woodsmoke and bacon fat. Sweet, silky and utterly seamless**, with captivating notes of brown spice, coffee bean and smoked meat. ... Finishes with plenty of sweet oak and superb persistence..."

2005 Syrah La Côte Rousse 91+ points

"... Wild spices and herbs lift the lower-toned aromas of **woodsmoke and roasted meat. Lush and fat** with fruit; finer-grained than the Serenne, with a more leesy, wild, Cornas-like character. Intriguing tar and wild herb notes..."

2005 Syrah Chapitre 3 93+ points

"... **highly nuanced nose offers dark raspberry, bacon fat, coffee bean and mocha, lifted by a note of wisteria.** Wonderfully lush on entry, then solid as a rock in the middle palate, with **outstanding chewy density and concentration to its blackberry, cassis and strawberry flavors. Finishes with terrific lingering sweetness and lift.**"

2005 Betz Family Winery Clos de Betz 92 points

"...Sappy, spicy aromas of blackberry, redcurrant and wild herbs. **Dense, supple and sweet, with captivating wild berry and floral flavors** ...Plush and fine-grained; the smooth texture..."

2005 Betz Family Winery Cabernet Sauvignon Pere de Famille 93+ points

"... aromas of crushed blackberry, licorice, minerals and spices. **Wonderfully sweet ... cassis, Belgian chocolate and fresh herbs. This dense, thick wine boasts outstanding structure and dimension, and finishes with terrific persistence.**"

2005 Betz Family Winery Le Parrain 93 Points

"... **Explosive, superripe aromas of musky berries and nuts. Lush and sweet...** A hedonistic and very pliant style."
