



## 2006 FESS PARKER'S VINEYARD SYRAH

100% Syrah

**Appellation:** Santa Barbara County

**Production:** 375 cases

**Alcohol:** 15%

**Retail:** \$30

**Tasting Notes** – The 2006 vintage is a more refined sibling to the 2005, although there is no deficiency of intense black and red fruit. With underlying restraint, layers of smoky cherry, crème brûlée, chocolate and blackberry pie spice make this Syrah rich and delicious. Generous fruit on the palate is highlighted with a subtle hint of vanilla and finishes with smooth and silky tannin.

**Pair With** – When young pair with charcuterie or any roasted meat. Filet mignon in a peppercorn sauce and garlic mashed potatoes. Mussels and frites. Maybe it's veal that pairs perfectly with this wine, or is it rack of lamb, slowly roasted and served rare? This wine goes well with so many things. Drink now to 7+ years.

*"In '06 Mother Nature dealt some interesting cards in Santa Barbara with rain, cold, and no sun at times. Some might see this as a potential problem -- I saw it as an opportunity to produce a wine that showed the more elegant, almost Côte Rôtie side of Syrah. This has been my "go to wine" ever since we bottled it. I'm amazed at how it keeps opening up with each tasting." – Jeff Cohn*

**92 points, Wine Advocate**

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