

Parker's *Wine Advocate* praises Chateau de Paraza's Minervois Cuvee Speciale 2007, calling it a 90 point "...head-turning value."
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CHATEAU DE PARAZA 2007 MINERVOIS CUVÉE SPECIALE

LANGUEDOC (\$12.00) RED 90

I have never visited Château de Paraza (a prominent landmark in the eponymous, tiny, canal-side village at the eastern extreme of its appellation) and it had been several years since I tasted one of their wines, but their **2007 Minervois Cuvée Spéciale** demonstrates that this well-known estate can still turn out a head-turning value. Very ripe blackberry fruit sweetly caresses the palate, with cinnamon, cardamom,

juniper, black pepper, and cherry pit bitterness adding interest. For all of its richness (in itself amazing for the price) this finishes with lip-smacking juiciness and an invigorating impression akin to chomping down on the seeds of the blackberries. Enjoy it over the next 2-3 years.