



TECHNICAL NOTES

CAVE DE TAIN 2015 "GRAND CLASSIQUE" CROZES-HERMITAGE ROUGE

The Cave de Tain is a benchmark producer and a Northern Rhône Valley powerhouse, with more than 50 acres owned in the landmark Hermitage Appellation, a stunning, state-of-the-art winery, and a brilliant team of winegrowers.

VINEYARDS

Sustainably-grown (certified Group ICV). Nearly 2500 acres under vine, with more 2200 acres in appellation (AOP) vineyards (Hermitage, Crozes-Hermitage, Saint Joseph, Cornas, Saint Péray) and the balance in IPG Collines Rhodaniennes. Appellation vineyards include 71.6 acres in Hermitage (of which the Cave de Tain directly owns 54.3 acres).

APPELLATION

AOP Crozes-Hermitage.

COMPOSITION

Pure Syrah.

VITICULTURE

Vines average 25 years in age. Sourced from 11 communes around Tain in the Crozes-Hermitage appellation. Granite soils in northern vineyards, stony, fluvio-glacial alluvial soils in the south, with varying amounts of loess.

VINIFICATION

Fully-destemmed. Short, pre-fermentation cold soak. Fermented in tank with 10-18 days on the skins. Gentle extraction using pigeage and pump-overs as needed. Underwent malolactic conversion in tank. Matured 9 to 11 months in a mix of stainless steel tanks and 400 L French oak barrels. Unfined and lightly filtered prior to bottling.

ALCOHOL

13%

TASTING NOTES

Rich, full, and well-structured, with aromas of blackberry, cassis, pepper, licorice and violets. The palate offers a

remarkable level of balance, with opulent ripeness combined with the indelible finesse of cool-climate Syrah. Very long on the finish.

SERVE WITH

Excellent with wide range of game and red meats (beef, lamb, duck) as well as stews, strong cheeses, and winter and root vegetable dishes.

ACCOLADES

93 pts, "A gorgeous success." – AJ, Decanter, 7/16.



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