



TECHNICAL NOTES

CAVE DE TAIN 2017 “ARÈNES SAUVAGES” CORNAS 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 in total, with more than 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).

Planted on the right bank of the Northern Côtes du Rhône, on steep terraces made of granitic sand. Grown in a microclimate with mediterranean influence.

APPELLATION

AOP Cornas.

COMPOSITION

Pure Syrah.

VITICULTURE

Selection Parcellaire. Sourced from the Cave de Tain’s very best old vine parcels (50 years old!) at peak ripeness.

VINIFICATION

Cold maceration before fermentation. Aging in French oak barrels (73% 228L Barrels, 40% new; 27% 4 year old 400 L barrels).

ALCOHOL

14.5%

TASTING NOTES

A ripe and toasty wine, with a core of plummy, blackberry fruit and complex spice and mineral notes. Fine-grained tannins on the palate lead to a long, lingering finish.

SERVE WITH

Excellent with red meat in wine sauces, marinated meat, and a variety of cheeses. Try it with dark, bitter chocolate.

ACCOLADES

93 pts, “Sweet and velvety in texture, offering intense dark fruit preserve, salty olive and floral pastille flavors brightened by a snap of juicy acidity and a touch of cracked pepper. Hangs on with impressive tenacity... This is pretty suave for a young Cornas.” – JR, Vinous Media 4/20 (2017).

(91-93 pts), “...concentrated and silky, with meaty notes on the lingering finish. It warrants a year or two of cellaring, then should drink well for a decade.” – JC, The Wine Advocate 12/19 (2017).



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