

Crozes-Hermitage 2013

Wine advocate

(86-88) Starting off the 2013s, the 2013 Crozes Hermitage has a soft, forward style to go with attractive, chocolate-laced dark fruits and pepper. It has a soft underbelly and will be best drink in its youth.

While Barruol's Gigondas releases get all the buzz, he makes some fine Northern Rhône's as well.

Vinous

SAINT COSME Crozes-Hermitage 2013 – 91 points

"Glass-staining ruby. Vibrant black currant and cherry aromas are complicated by suggestions of black pepper, olive and smoky Indian spices. Taut and nervy on entry, then fleshier in the mid-palate, offering gently sweet black and blue fruit flavors and a hint of licorice. Shows very good energy and lift on the clinging finish, which features silky tannins and an echo of sappy dark fruit."