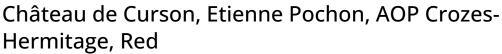
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# Crozes-Hermitage



AOP Crozes-Hermitage, Vallée du Rhône, France

Etienne Pochon is the refined, slightly reserved owner in the eastern end of Crozes. He used to sell his grapes to one of the local co-operatives, but now makes his own wines from better-than-average fruit. Pochon oversees all elements of production, ensuring that the wine shows all the soft, fragrant plentiful fruit that has gone into it and this ripe and fruity wine shows he was right to go it alone.

# PRESENTATION

Along with a handful of other growers, the rather reserved Etienne Pochon has been instrumental in improving the quality and the image of Crozes-Hermitage and is producing some of the region's finest and most elegant wines.

# LOCATION

Vineyards located plains and hillsides.

# TERROIR

The soils, made up of quaternary gravel, are not very fertile and sloping.

# IN THE VINEYARD

Average age of vines : 35 years.

# WINEMAKING

Hand-harvested, sorted, vinified in temperature-controlled vats, frequent pumping over, selected yeast for ageing.

# AGEING

Aged in 2 to 6 year-old barrels for 6 months. Fining and filtration.

# VARIETAL

Syrah 100%

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# SERVING

T° of service: 16°C / 61°F.

### AGEING POTENTIAL

Enjoy all year long, 5 to 10 years

## TASTING

Starts off rather dark, marked by smoke, charred wood, espresso and black olive notes. But there's a core of fruit and spice as well. Feels plump and round in the mouth, with great structure. Drink now for its pretty finish filled with spice and tea leaves.

## FOOD PAIRINGS

It is the perfect accompaniment to rabbit or pheasant terrine or pheasant terrine, caillette de Chabeuil (a regional speciality made from pork and spinach), duck breast with gratin Dauphinois and gratin Dauphinois and porcini mushrooms.





### **Bruno Lafon Selection**

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