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J.L. Chave Sélection Crozes-Hermitage Silène 2014 Rhône Valley, France

91 Points

Bright violet. An intensely perfumed nose offers smoke-accented red and black currant and cherry pit scents, along with a minerally note that builds in the glass. Bitter cherry, cassis and spicecake flavors show very good clarity and become sweeter with air. The mineral quality repeats strongly on a long, sappy, dark-berry-dominated finish shaped by fine-grained tannins. – JR

