



COTE ROTIE
Seigneur de Maugiron 2012
17/20

Syrah. Granite and schist. Dusty, distinctive nose. Good energy here with a dry finish and no hint of forced sweet fruit but the tannins are marked and suggest ambition. Vibrant finish. Needs a lot of time!



COTE ROTIE
La Landonne 2012
17/20

Syrah. Schist. Very rich and multi faceted for a Côte Rôtie. Ambitious and much sweeter than most but I fear I wouldn't pick it as a Côte Rôtie blind. Just slightly porty. I'm sure it is done with the best of intentions.



HERMITAGE
Les Bessards 2012
17/20

100% Syrah. Granite. Very dark crimson. Flattering note of spicy oak. Firm, solid matter with a hint of tea leaves. Very chewy tannins on the end. Not to say rasping. Exaggerated? Drying finish.. Severe winemaking!



HERMITAGE
Domaine des Tourettes 2012
16,5/20

100% Syrah. Granite. Dark purple. Mid intensity but well-balanced nose. Fresh start and rather obvious acidity. Quite severe. Pinched. Needs time? I may be too severe...



HERMITAGE
Domaine des Tourettes 2012
17,5/20

Marsanne, élevage in oak. Granite. Distinctive nose with some richness on the finish. I like the slightly wild notes on the end with real gumminess. Marsanne indeed....!