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## 2015 E Darnaud Crozes Hermitage les Trois Chenes

A much more serious effort than the Mise en Bouche, the 2015 Crozes Hermitage les Trois Chenes was raised in a mix oak tanks (tronconique), demi-muids and barrels (some new). Its inky purple/blue color is followed by terrific notes of blackberries, blueberries, damp earth and pepper. This full-bodied beauty is rounded and seamless on the palate, with top-notch purity, sweet tannin and no shortage of length. It's going to be hard to resist on release, yet I suspect it will have 10-12 years of life.

- Jeb Dunnuck (December, 2016)