

JEAN-LUC COLOMBO

CORNAS "LES RUCHETS" 2018 Rhône Valley, France



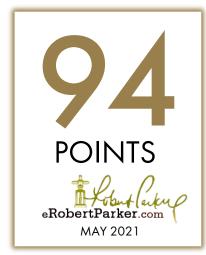
This inky, intensely plummy Syrah balances rich, pulsating black-fruit flavors against lipsmacking cassis and accents of tapenade, charcuterie and blood... The penetrating wine is framed by fine, firm tannins and lingering notes of vanilla, chocolate and earth... -A.I.



...Offering deep blackberry, kirsch, floral pastille and allspice flavors and a spicy touch of cracked pepper. Shows serious power and a resonating dark fruit note on the floral- and mineral-tinged finish, which is framed by chewy, steadily mounting tannins. – J.R.



Nicely packed, with a mix of dark currant and blackberry compote notes that are still coiled up, along with bay, dark olive and racy sanguine flavors. Persistent and focused on the finish, with plenty in reserve... — J.M.



...Hints of mint, fennel, crushed stone and blackberries. It's fullbodied and rich, expansive and generous without crossing over into being jammy, with savory notes of black olives and roast meat to balance out the ripe fruit and a lingering, softly tannic finish. – J.C.



...Clean and fruit-forward... brims with a mix of fruit, florals and herbal notes that makes it feel wild and fresh. The flavors run deep but stay firm, trimmed by fine grained tannins and bright acidity... "complex and convincing right out of the bottle"... - T.T.