

Gigondas 2017

Wine advocate

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CHÂTEAU DE SAINT COSME Gigondas 2017 – 92+ points

“Loaded with notes of black olives and black cherries, the full-bodied 2017 Gigondas is rich and velvety in the mouth. I'm not sure it's quite as good as the 2018, but it's certainly no slouch, with a long, silky finish that picks up a hint of cocoa.”

2017 Chateau de Saint Cosme • Gigondas

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Rating : (91 - 93)

Price : NA

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More concentrated and tannic than the 2016, the 2017 Gigondas shows outstanding potential. Marked by hints of charred wood and mocha, it's nevertheless rich, ripe and fruity, with a long finish.

Wine spectator

“Perfumy and stylish, with rooibos tea, blood orange and cherry aromas and flavors weaving through, infused with sandalwood, anise, bay leaf, sage and pepper notes along the way. A very fine and persistent chalky spine supports it all.”

Jeb Dunnuck

AOP Gigondas, Château de Saint-Cosme, rouge, 2017 - Rating 93

Moving back south, the 2017 Gigondas is another terrific vintage for this cuvée, and it's a quintessential expression of Saint Cosme. Ground herbs, graphite, gunpowder, pepper, black raspberries, and cassis all emerge from this full-bodied, ripe, polished Gigondas. With solid concentration, building yet ripe tannins, and a great finish, you'll be thrilled to have a case in the cellar.

A blend of 70% Grenache and the rest Syrah and Mourvèdre, the 2017 Gigondas is a sexy, ripe effort in a forward, already approachable style. Notes of black raspberries, graphite, pepper, and garrigue all dominate the bouquet, and it's going to drink nicely right out of the gate.

Vinous

Gigondas Château de Saint Cosme 92pts

Shimmering magenta. Powerful red and dark berry aromas are complemented by building spice, incense and floral notes. Sappy and densely packed, offering juicy black raspberry, cherry preserve and spicecake flavors that are firm by a spine of juicy acidity. Supple, harmonious tannins build steadily on the impressively long finish, which leaves behind lavender pastille and juicy cherry notes.

-- Josh Reynolds

James Suckling

CHÂTEAU DE SAINT COSME Gigondas 2017, 94 points

«Wow. This has such attractive dark plums and berries with chocolate and cocoa, as well as ripe red and dark cherries. The complexity and depth is striking here. The palate carries so much flavor and so much detail. So lush. Rich dark fruit, cocoa and red-cherry pip to close. Drink over the next decade or more. This has plenty in the tank.»

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In “6 Sips that Salvage This Mess of a Year,” Dale Robertson revisits 2020 and shares six of the “most compelling” wines he has tasted this year, including:

CHÂTEAU DE SAINT COSME Gigondas 2017

“There’s no finer winemaker on the planet than Louis Barruol. I’ve collected every vintage of this since 1996 after Bear Dalton invited me to a St. Cosme tasting, then subsequently set me up with a visit to the winery in the Southern Rhone. The Wine Spectator gave it a score of 95, and it’s on the shelf at Spec’s for just under \$60.