## Gigondas "Le Poste" 2012

## Wine advocate

96 points -Like the Hominis Fides, the 2012 Gigondas Le Poste is elegant, seamless and silky, all while not losing a beat with regards to power, richness and length. Sweet black and blue fruits, liquid violets, underbrush, tar and hints of chocolate all emerge from the glass, and it's full-bodied on the palate, with serious mid-palate concentration and ample, yet silky tannin that frame the finish. Like the other top releases here, it's approachable but will have 20 years of longevity.

94-97 points: The 2012 Gigondas Le Poste might just be the star of the three single vineyards in 2012. More fine and elegant, with thrilling lavender, flowers, forest floor and sweet berry fruit, it is full-bodied, seamless and carries masses of fine tannin in its pure, refined texture. Gorgeous all around, it too should have upward of two decades of longevity. (Not yet released)

## Wine spectator

96 points, a laser of a wine with a stunningly pure beam of cassis, raspberry and blackberry that has cut and drive, flanked by notes of chalk and iron.

## Stephen Tanzer

93 - 2012 Château de Saint Cosme Gigondas Le Poste Saturated ruby. Aromas of ripe red fruit, spicecake and candied flowers, with a bright mineral element adding vivacity. Sweet, palate-staining black raspberry and lavender flavors become fleshier and spicier with air. Suave, seamless and pure, finishing with outstanding cut and even tannins that are guickly absorbed by the wine's intense fruit.