

Hominis Fides 2012

Wine advocate

95 points - The 2012 Gigondas Hominis Fides has fleshed out beautifully since I tasted it from barrel last year. Much more finesse-oriented and elegant now, it boasts stunning crushed rock, dried underbrush, blackberry liqueur, pepper and creosote-like aromas and flavors. Full-bodied, layered and seamless, with ultra-fine tannin, enjoy this rock star effort over the coming 10-15 years.

93-96 points : Despite coming from sandy soils, the 2012 Gigondas Hominis Fides has a masculine, structured and almost burly profile. Underbrush, black raspberry, crushed rock, pepper and black licorice are just some of the notions here, and it hits the palate with full-bodied authority and richness. I expect it will flesh out nicely once in bottle, but it should still warrant 2-3 years in the cellar and have the capacity to keep for 20 years.(Not yet released)

Wine spectator

95/100

Stephen Tanzer

93 - 2012 Château de Saint Cosme Gigondas Hominis Fides Vivid ruby. Intense cherry and red berry aromas pick up notes of woodsmoke, anise and lavender with air. Spicy, concentrated and sharply focused on the palate, offering sweet raspberry and floral pastille flavors underscored by juicy acidity. Closes sweet and very long, with supple tannins building slowly and folding into the wine's intensely juicy fruit.