

# Le Claux 2012

## **Wine spectator**

CHÂTEAU DE ST.-COSME

Gigondas Le Claux 2012

Score: 95

Release Price \$123

Country France

Region Southern Rhône

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Tasting Note

This has a gorgeous beam of pomegranate, red currant and damson plum fruit, coiled tightly for now. A snap of red licorice adds lift before tangy sanguine, iron, pepper and bay notes emerge on the finish. Exhibits terrific cut and length. Best from 2015 through 2025. 72 cases imported.

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## **Stephen Tanzer**

92 - 2012 Château de Saint Cosme Gigondas Les Claux Bright violet color. Pungent black and blue fruit aromas open with air, taking on suave floral and Indian spice character. Stains the palate with sweet blackberry and boysenberry flavors that become more lively with air. This extremely youthful Gigondas finishes with serious power, velvety tannins and a whiplash of sweet dark fruit.

## **Decanter**

CHÂTEAU DE SAINT COSME Gigondas Le Claux 2012, 97 points

«A touch of bacon fat and bonfire smoke to the red fruits. Fireworks and autumn leaves. Medium-bodied, spicy, with great liveliness and freshness on the palate. Tight finish still, little grippy tannins. Long finish.

Really vibrant and juicy, such a lovely wine. Long finish. What's not to like?» Château de St-Cosme, Le Claux

2012 18.5 (95)

£45.46 Cru World Wine

Louis Barruol's single-vineyard wines are among the best in Gigondas. Expressive, vivid, detailed nose of raspberry, juniper and rose. Gorgeous strawberry and damson fruit on the palate. Very fine, elegant, long and balanced. Exceptional, and deserves its price tag. Drink 2017-2030 Alc 14.5%