

# Le Poste 2016

## **Wine advocate**

2016 Chateau de Saint Cosme • Gigondas le Poste  
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Rating: 97

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The 2016 Gigondas le Poste has admirably fulfilled the potential I saw last year from barrel. It's full-bodied, creamy and lush, while being hugely concentrated and rich. Cherries, baking spices, hints of dark chocolate—this wine has it all, wrapped up in a nearly endless, velvety finish. This 100% old-vine Grenache is one of the finest Gigondas I've ever tasted.

## **Wine spectator**

CHÂTEAU DE SAINT COSME Gigondas Le Poste 2016 – 98 points

“Offers a perfumed feel to the lavender, violet and savory notes that lead off, followed quickly by ripe, focused fresh cherry, cassis and raspberry puree flavors, all harnessed by very fine chalky minerality, which extends through the lengthy finish.”

## **Decanter**

CHÂTEAU DE SAINT COSME Gigondas «Le Poste» 2016, 98 points

«Not as dark in fruit as the 2017, but has a real easy-going character and sense of harmony about it. Deep, intense grip on the finish holds the palate down like a wrestler. Very fresh, very saline and intense physical impression. Great length. sheer muscle. Will need time to relax.»

## **Jeb Dunnuck**

2016 Château de Saint Cosme Gigondas Le Poste 97

The most elegant and finesse-driven of the three single vineyard releases is the 2016 Gigondas Le Poste, which comes from a terraced vineyard just up the hillside from the estate. As with the other single vineyard releases, this beauty is all Grenache that was not destemmed and was brought up mostly in older barrels. Deep purple-colored with an intense perfume of blackberries, pepper, violets, graphite, and crushed rocks, this beauty just glides over the palate carrying full-bodied richness, supple tannins, and awesome purity of fruit. It's another incredible wine from this reference point estate.

## **Drink Rhône John Livingstone**

CHATEAU DE SAINT COSME LE POSTE 2016 ( )

(casks) full red colour. An air of mulled, simmering red berries, griottes or soaked red cherries, leads the bouquet with a discreet backdrop of rosemary and oak-charcoal. The palate gives a restrained richness of Grenache fruit, oak alongside. It's a fresh wine, with mineral detail present. The extended aftertaste is on a crunched texture for now, which suggests the inclusion of stems (tasted blind). This will live well, and take its time. I would suggest leaving it until 2022 at least. There is concentration in the cautious amount of red juice that it releases now, a firm thickness, with oaking. 2039-42 Oct 2017

## **Vinous**

2016 Château St. Cosme Gigondas Le Poste (94-95)

Deep ruby. Mineral-accented red berry preserve and floral oil aromas are complemented by suggestions of pungent garrigue and Asian spices. Chewy, concentrated and alluringly sweet, showing impressive clarity to its intense raspberry liqueur and lavender pastille flavors. Finishes extremely long and mineral, with mounting tannins coming in late.

## **Jancis Robinson UK**

Ch de St-Cosme, Le Poste 2016 Gigondas 17.5

95% Grenache, 5% Syrah.

Rich and thick on the palate, bitter herbal character on the finish and strong clove aromas from new oak. Not perhaps as effortlessly enjoyable as their Valbelle, but certainly an impressive and nuanced wine.

Drink 2020-2034

## **James Suckling**

CHATEAU DE SAINT COSME Gigondas Le Poste 2016 – 95 points

“Ripe, dark, raspberries and strawberries with toasted spices. This has a more modern edge and a heap of perfume with wild herbs. Fine and elegant tannins are steeped in a wealth of rich fruit and wild herbs that infuse the fresh, lively finish. From organically grown grapes.”