Le Poste 2019

Wine spectator

Château de Saint Cosme Le Poste 2019 Rating : 98

A stunner from the start, with a piercingly pure and beautiful display of violet and cherry purée aromas and flavors taking center stage, supported by ultra-refined chalky minerality and fine beaded acidity. Lacy rooibos tea, garrigue and lavender accents drape the finish, adding a beguiling note at the very end. Beautiful wine. Best from 2025 through 2040. 125 cases made, 24 cases imported. — JM Issue: Dec 15, 2021"

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In "Southern Rhone 2019," Matt Walls completes an overview of the 2019 vintage. He highlights Gigondas, Vacqueyras and Beaumes de Venise, featuring key producers in 2019 includingCHÂTEAU DE SAINT COSME. Among his recommendations for the top southern Rhônes:

CHÂTEAU DE SAINT COSME Gigondas Le Poste 2019 - 97 points

"Grenache planted on limestone marl. Single vineyard. No destemming. 12 months maturation in French oak barriques: 20% new, 50% one year old, 30% two years old. Unfiltered. Extraordinary tannic structure for a 100% Grenache, with great intensity of fruit and salinity. Great driving freshness throughout. Extraordinary depth. Floral on the finish, violets. Organic."

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AOP Gigondas, "Le Poste", rouge, Château de Saint-Cosme, 2019 - Rating : 97-99 TASTING DATE 10/6/2020

As always, the 2019 Gigondas Le Poste is a more elegant, ethereal, and Burgundian styled wine that has incredible purity in its aromas and flavors of black and blue fruits, spring flowers, crushed rock, and Provençal garrigue. This is never the biggest or richest wine in the lineup, yet it just might be the most complex, as well as nuanced, and this beauty builds with time in the glass, is full-bodied, has a stacked mid-palate, and a finish that won't quit. It's going to flirt with perfection on release and evolve for 20 to 25 years.

AOP Gigondas "Le Poste" Rouge Château de Saint Cosme 2019 Rating : 100 TASTING DATE 1/25/2022

Lastly, and a perfect wine, the 2019 Gigondas Le Poste comes from a tiny vineyard located just across the street from the domaine, and as with all these single vineyard releases, it's 100% Grenache, not destemmed, and aged in mostly used Burgundy barrels. Louis compares the vintage to 1998, and I can't disagree with him, as the wines are powerful yet structured. Incredible notes of cassis, currants, scorched earth, and wildflowers all show on the nose, and it's full-bodied and perfectly balanced, with ultra-fine tannins, no hard edges, and an incredible finish. It's as good as anything out there. Hats off to the genius of Louis Barruol, and readers should snag as much of this as they can. It will ideally be given 4-5 years of bottle age and will evolve for two decades.

Jancis Robinson UK

Ch de St-Cosme, Le Poste 2019 Gigondas 17+

100% Grenache. Organic. Aged in oak (20% new, 50% second use and 30% third use). Cask sample. Tasted blind. Dried herbs on the nose, the palate shows some stalkiness and very firm tannins. Weighty palate and a long, clean, pure finish. Dense and powerful with mulberry and dense fruit and has a notable minerality. (AC) Drink 2022 – 2030