

# Gigondas 2021

## **Decanter**

Matt Walls, 92pts "There's a veneer of cola oak to the polished berry aromas. Quite sweet on entry, with unusually high alcohol for the vintage, but it's well balanced with the zingy acidity. Fairly small in stature, but ripe and has plenty of impact."

## **Jeb Dunnuck**

Jeb Dunnuck 90-92pts "Leading off the 2021 barrel samples, the 2021 Gigondas is a juicy, elegant, medium-bodied beauty with lots of red and black fruits, some floral and violet notes, fine tannins, and kiss of salinity on the finish. It's clearly an outstanding wine in the making and a great effort in this more challenging vintage."

## **Vinous**

Josh Reynolds, 92-94pts "Deep magenta. High-toned cherry and blackberry aromas show very good clarity with black pepper and smoky mineral accents. Shows firm tension and a spicy cut to its gently sweet red and dark berry, bitter chocolate and succulent herb flavors. Youthfully gripping tannins lend framework to a long, smoky finish that echoes the spice and floral notes. This is textbook Gigondas, raised in a combination of one-third concrete tanks and two-thirds large oak barrels, 20% of those new."

## **Jancis Robinson UK**

Jancis Robinson, Rating 16, "Tasted blind. Leather and balsamic with ripe red fruits on the nose. The palate is packed full of herbs-thyme, pepper and cardamom. Firm tannins and a juicy feel to the finish, lovely spice and weight to the fruit as well. This will age very nicely given the acid structure as well as finely tuned tannins."