

Le Claux 2020

Wine spectator

Wine Spectator Château de St.-Cosme Gigondas Le Claux 2020 Rating : 95 points

Earthy, savory and inviting, with smoked meat, bay leaf and singed wild herbs infusing a base of plum sauce and cherry. Gains support from fine-grained tannins, but a spine of iron gives real form to this layered wine, with black olive tapenade, balsamic and black pepper notes filling out the lengthy finish. Drink now through 2035. 105 cases imported. BS Nov.2022

Decanter

Decanter Château de St Cosme, Le Claux, Gigondas, 2020 Tasting Score : 96 points

Tasted by: Matt Walls (at Rhône Valley, 01 Oct 2021)

Part of Châteauneuf-du-Pape 2020: report and top-scoring wines Drinking Window: 2028 - 2038

Beautifully fragrant nose of star anise, cedar and cigar tobacco. Full-bodied, rounded and seductively plump and juicy, showing clarity, precision and focus on the palate, the fruit melds well with the considerable oak element, and it finishes long, tight and saline. Best Gigondas of the vintage. Very old vines, all whole-cluster fermented in concrete, no destemming, indigenous yeasts, and matured 100% in barriques; one third new, one third second use, and the rest third use.

Wine Enthusiast

Wine Enthusiast – May 2021

CHÂTEAU DE SAINT COSME Gigondas Le Claux 2018 – 97 points (Editors' Choice)

“Le Claux is sourced from a Grenache-dominant field blend, with vines dating back to 1870. Vinified in whole clusters and matured in 20% new oak, it’s a penetrating, finessed wine that juxtaposes rippling black cherry and boysenberry flavors against veins of crushed salt, licorice and smoke. Chalky tannins and a spray of violet perfume a long finish. It’s stunning in youth but should improve through 2035.”