

Le Poste blanc 2020

Decanter

Château de St Cosme, Le Poste, Côtes du Rhône, Rhône, France 2020 Tasting score : 94 points

Tasted by: Matt Walls (at Folkestone, England, 08 Jan 2022) Part of Clairette around the world: 53 shining examples

Drinking Window: 2022 - 2028

Beautiful honeysuckle florality, amazing sense of freshness despite the lack of strong aromas. Medium- to full-bodied, the oak sits in the background, and there's a firm, orderly finish. Has a gentle mineral line and a real sense of purity. Dry but not austere.

Jeb Dunnuck

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On another level, the 2020 Côtes Du Rhône Le Poste Blanc comes from a gorgeous vineyard in Gigondas (Gigondas doesn't allow whites, hence the Côtes Du Rhône label) just up the hill from the estate. It has lots of pineapple, bright, sappy herb, and some chalky mineral-notes as well as a medium-bodied, pure, seamless style on the palate. It's a brilliant white and shows how shortsighted it is for this appellation to not allow whites. I like this today, yet it will be better with a year of bottle age and have a decade of longevity.

Tasting date: 1/25/2022 JD