

JOHANN MICHEL

SAINT-JOSEPH

2017

92 + pts

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"Michel farms four hectares in Cornas (the Les Cotes, Bayonnet, Chaillot, and Saveaux lieux-dits), a tiny 0.67 hectares in Saint Joseph, and one hectare in Saint-Péray. These are brilliant wines across the board. Starting with the 2017 Saint Joseph, this solid, concentrated, tannic wine isn't meant for instant gratification, yet has impressive darker, almost blue fruits, loads of minerality, ample mid-palate depth, and a big finish. A mini-Hermitage with its structure and minerality, it's going to benefit from 2-4 years of bottle age and drink nicely for over a decade. It's an impressive Saint Joseph."



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