

# purely domestic wine report

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**“A tasting with Luc Morlet is a methodical, reverent approach to the wines that I experience nowhere else and is therefore something I always look forward to. The 2015 vintage from Morlet is the finest overall to date.”**

**2015 ‘Force de la Nature’ 100 points** *Oakville, Napa Valley Cabernet Franc*

The nose is violet pastille, espresso and crumbled mint NECCO wafer. The palate entry is hypnotically dense leading to a core of pure blackberry, mocha and purple florals that get more breathtaking with four hours of air. Drink 2020-2040.

**2015 ‘Passionnément’ 100 points** *Oakville, Napa Valley Cabernet Sauvignon*

The nose is dense licorice and mixed dark berries with notes of mint and beautifully present plum. The palate leaves the taster wanting for nothing from beginning to finish. A totally pure expression of gorgeously sculpted and energetically polished blackberry, plum, currant and spice. A fitting follow-up to the 100 point 2009. Drink 2019-2035.

**2015 ‘Mon Chevalier’ 98 points** *Knights Valley Cabernet Sauvignon*

The nose is assertively rich and holds a density seldom experienced filled with cranberry, graphite and black fig displaying exceptional acid tension. The palate is a vibrantly pure liquid berry and black tree fruits with profound concentration. Drink 2019-2035.

**2015 ‘Cœur de Vallée’ 98 points** *Oakville, Napa Valley Cabernet Sauvignon*

The nose is a broader black fruit with notes of savory and spice and supple notes of caramel and mocha. The palate is more structured with concentrated and polished fresh blackberry, plum and notes of walnut. Drink 2019-2035.

**2015 ‘Morlet Estate’ 95 points** *St. Helena, Napa Valley Cabernet Sauvignon*

The nose is classic velvet-like on entry with a core of waxy red currant and cranberry over spice box, graphite and grilled meat. The palate offers superb intensity on the entry with layered, balanced flavors without heaviness. The acidity and fruit work beautifully together. Drink 2019-2035.