



MORLET
Family Vineyards

2016
'COUP DE CŒUR'
SONOMA COAST CHARDONNAY

Each vintage, the tasting of individual lots of Chardonnay reveals a strictly limited number of barrels with truly outstanding features. These selected barrels are then judiciously blended to compose this magnificent cuvée. Handcrafted using classical Burgundian winemaking techniques, this wine represents our 'Heart's Astonishment' or 'Coup de Cœur.'



<i>Proprietary name</i>	'Coup de Cœur'
<i>Name meaning</i>	Heart's Astonishment
<i>Varietal composition</i>	Chardonnay
<i>Type of wine</i>	Cuvée of best barrels
<i>Appellation</i>	Sonoma Coast
<i>Vineyard singularity</i>	Fort Ross-Seaview & Russian River Valley Goldridge and volcanic soils
<i>Typical harvest date</i>	October
<i>Picking</i>	Night pick; manual; small lugs; refrigerated truck
<i>Sorting</i>	Cluster-by-cluster
<i>Fermentation</i>	In barrel through native yeast
<i>Upbringing</i>	14 months in French oak barrels from selected artisan coopers Malolactic <i>Sur lies</i> with <i>bâtonnage</i>
<i>Bottling</i>	Unfined, unfiltered
<i>Ideal cellaring</i>	3 to 5 years after harvest date
<i>Arc of aging</i>	15 to 20 years
<i>Serving</i>	55-59°F (13-15°C); Decant when served young

TASTING NOTES

"Pure perfection in the glass is the 2016 'Coup de Cœur,' a selection of Luc's favorite barrels. It offers extraordinary notes of caramelized citrus, toasted brioche, marzipan, white flowers, and a liqueur of rocks-like minerality. With full body, incredible purity, a layered, huge palate presence, yet a weightless, elegant texture, it needs to be tasted to be believed. Hats off to Morlet for an incredible Chardonnay."

100 points
Jeb Dunnuck
JebDunnuck.com, June 2018

