



MORLET

Family Vineyards

2016

‘LA PROPORTION DORÉE’

SONOMA COUNTY SÉMILLON-SAUVIGNON BLANC

A harmonious blend of the three classic white Bordeaux varietals, this unique cuvée was inspired from the finest producers of Pessac-Léognan. The Sémillon, Sauvignon Blanc and Muscadelle come from dry-farmed vineyards in the Golden State’s Sonoma County. Classical winemaking techniques such as *élevage sur lies* (aging on the lees) and *bâtonnage* (stirring) contribute to this true *vin de garde*. As in architectural arts, it is ‘The Golden Ratio’ or ‘La Proportion Dorée.’



Proprietary name	‘La Proportion Dorée’
Name meaning	The Golden Ratio
Varietal composition	Sémillon (67%) Sauvignon Blanc (32%) Muscadelle (1%)
Type of wine	Cuvée blend of five vineyards
Appellation	Sonoma County
Vineyard singularity	50 to 100-year-old-vines Loamy to gravelly soils One cluster per shoot ‘ <i>de rigueur</i> ’ Sauvignon Blanc Musqué
Harvest date	September-October 2016
Picking	Night pick; manual; small lugs; refrigerated truck
Sorting	Cluster-by-cluster
Fermentation	In barrel through native yeast
Upbringing	14 months in French oak barrels from selected artisan coopers <i>Sur lies</i> with <i>bâtonnage</i>
Bottling	Unfined, coarse filtration to prevent Malolactic
Ideal cellaring	3 to 5 years after harvest date
Arc of aging	15 to 20 years
Serving	55-59°F (13-15°C)

TASTING NOTES

“Reminding me of a great vintage of La Mission Haut Brion, the 2016 ‘La Proportion Dorée’ boasts phenomenal notes of citrus, tangerines, flower oil, and candied lemons. It’s deep, rich, and concentrated, yet has vibrant acidity as well as purity. It’s unquestionably one of the best white Bordeaux blends coming out of California.”

97 points

Jeb Dunnuck

JebDunnuck.com, June 2019

“The 2016 ‘La Proportion Dorée’ comes strutting out of the glass like a total rock star, singing notes of ripe grapefruit, lemon meringue pie and white peaches with hints of beeswax, lime blossoms, candied ginger, and nutmeg. Medium to full-bodied, the palate lends a seductively satiny texture with layer upon layer of citrus and stone fruit notions and a racy backbone to support, finishing on a long-lingering chalky note.”

98 points

Lisa Perrotti-Brown MW

Robert Parker Wine Advocate, Oct. 2018

