



MORLET
Family Vineyards

2017
'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 Sur lies with bâtonnage
<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

"An über barrel-selection blend, the 2017 'Coup de Cœur' bursts with spicy notions of allspice and coriander seed over a core of ripe Bosc pears, apple pie and almond croissant with wafts of beeswax and candied ginger. Medium to full-bodied, the palate is tightly wound, offering beautiful tension to offset all the opulent, spicy flavors, finishing very long and incredibly harmonious." 99 points

Lisa Perrotti-Brown MW

Robert Parker Wine Advocate, Dec. 2019

"The borderline perfect 2017 'Coup de Cœur' comes from a selection of the best barrels. This exotic, powerful Chardonnay offers a heavenly bouquet of honeyed citrus, toasted brioche exotic flowers, and orange blossom. It's rich, voluptuous, and thrillingly textured, yet has good acidity, remarkable purity, a stacked mid-palate and a finish that won't quit. Count me impressed; California Chardonnay doesn't get much better." 99 points

Jeb Dunnuck

JebDunnuck.com, June 2019

