



2017  
 ‘MON CHEVALIER’

KNIGHTS VALLEY CABERNET SAUVIGNON

Located on the foothills of Knights Valley, our vineyard, comprised of rocky and loamy clay Red Hills soil, benefits from its proximity to Mount St. Helena, whose warm and windy climate is ideal for the long ripening of the red Bordeaux varietals: Cabernet Sauvignon, Cabernet Franc, Merlot, Malbec and Petit Verdot. Handcrafted using classical winemaking techniques, this special wine is dedicated to our son, Paul Morlet. It is ‘My Knight’ or ‘Mon Chevalier.’



Proprietary name	‘Mon Chevalier’
Name meaning	My Knight Named after our son Paul Morlet
Varietal composition	Cabernet Sauvignon (94%) Cabernet Franc (6%)
Type of wine	Estate grown; terroir-driven; vineyard designated
Appellation	Knights Valley
Vineyard singularity	Morlet Family ‘Mon Chevalier’ Vineyard 500-600 feet elevation Rhyolitic, loam & volcanic ash
Farming	Organic & sustainable farming by full-time, year-round Morlet Farming team
Picking	Night pick; manual; small lugs; refrigerated truck
Sorting	Cluster-by-cluster & berry-per-berry by hand; Le Trieur™
Fermentation	Through native yeast; punch downs in stainless steel tanks & French oak puncheons; Gyrobox™
Upbringing	16 months in French oak barrels from selected artisan coopers
Bottling	Unfined, unfiltered
Ideal cellaring	5 to 10 years after harvest date
Arc of aging	30+ years
Serving	61-64°F (16-18°C); Decant 1 hour prior to serving

TASTING NOTES

*“The 2017 ‘Mon Chevalier’ is rich, deep, and unctuous, with all of the character that makes wines from this site so exciting. Graphite, inky blue/purplish fruit, spice, and lavender infuse the 2017 with tremendous complexity. In the glass, the 2017 is savory, rich and expansive, not to mention hugely appealing.” “The 2017 ‘Mon Chevalier’ offers tremendous appeal and immediacy. Silky tannins and plush contours add to its considerable allure. A burst of dark red fruit, plum, sweet spice and cedar linger.”*

96 points

Antonio Galloni

Vinous, July 2020 & Oct. 2024

*“The 2017 ‘Mon Chevalier’ is another beautiful, Bordeaux-like wine from Morlet that has lots of cassis and red plum fruits as well as cedarwood, graphite, crushed rocks, and violet aromas and flavor. It has juicy acidity, plenty of midpalate depth, sweet fruit, and a beautiful finish.”*

95 points

Jeb Dunnuck

JebDunnuck.com, Aug. 2020

