



Les Petits
MORLET

2018

NAPA VALLEY CABERNET SAUVIGNON

Growing up the children of a fifth-generation French winemaker, Paul and Claire Morlet spent much of their childhood exploring vineyards while Luc shared his knowledge and passion for viticulture and winemaking with them. From a judicious blend of different barrels, this special cuvée embodies the youthful character and energy of younger vines and is the offspring of our mature Cabernet Sauvignon bottlings. Named in honor of Paul and Claire, who are now remarkable young adults, 'Les Petits Morlet' represents their passion, talents, optimism, and future.



<i>Proprietary name</i>	'Les Petits Morlet'
<i>Name meaning</i>	Named after our children Paul & Claire Morlet
<i>Varietal composition</i>	Cabernet Sauvignon
<i>Type of wine</i>	Cuvée selection
<i>Appellation</i>	Napa Valley
<i>Vineyard singularity</i>	Young vines from Morlet Family estate vineyards
<i>Farming</i>	Full-time, year-round Morlet Farming team
<i>Typical harvest date</i>	October
<i>Picking</i>	Night pick; manual; small lugs; refrigerated truck
<i>Sorting</i>	Cluster-by-cluster & berry-per-berry by hand; Le Trieur™
<i>Fermentation</i>	Through native yeast; punch downs in stainless steel tanks & Darnajou French oak puncheons; Gyrobox™
<i>Upbringing</i>	16 months in French oak barrels from selected artisan coopers
<i>Bottling</i>	Unfined, unfiltered
<i>Idea cellaring</i>	2 to 5 years after harvest date
<i>Arc of aging</i>	15 to 20 years
<i>Serving</i>	61-64°F (16-18°C)

TASTING NOTES

"The 2018 'Les Petits Morlet' charges out of the gate with bold notions of blackberry pie, juicy black plums, and black currant pastilles with hints of lavender, eucalyptus oil, and cloves. Full-bodied, rich, and concentrated, the palate is bursting with black berry flavors, supported by plush tannins and a lively backbone, finishing with impressive length. This impeccably made Cabernet is just plain delicious!" 93 points

Lisa Perrotti-Brown MW

Robert Parker Wine Advocate, Jan. 2021

"Readers looking for a peek at the quality of this domaine should unquestionably check out the 2018 'Les Petits Morlet' which can be thought of as the entry level blend. It reveals a dense purple color as well as a classy nose of blackcurrant liqueur, smoked herbs, chocolate, violets, and new leather. These carry to a ripe, full-bodied, sexy 2018 that delivers serious amounts of fruit, a lifted, perfumed, already complex style, and the ability to evolve." 93 points

Jeb Dunnuck

JebDunnuck.com, Jan. 2021

