



MORLET

Family Vineyards

2019

‘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.’



<i>Proprietary name</i>	‘La Proportion Dorée’
<i>Name meaning</i>	The Golden Ratio
<i>Varietal composition</i>	Sémillon (69%) Sauvignon Blanc (30%) Muscadelle (1%)
<i>Type of wine</i>	Cuvée blend of five vineyards
<i>Appellation</i>	Sonoma County
<i>Vineyard singularity</i>	50 to 100-year-old-vines Loamy to gravelly soils One cluster per shoot ‘ <i>de rigueur</i> ’ Sauvignon Blanc Musqué
<i>Harvest date</i>	September-October 2019
<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 <i>Sur lies</i> with <i>bâtonnage</i>
<i>Bottling</i>	Unfined, coarse filtration to prevent Malolactic
<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)

TASTING NOTES

“The just about pure perfection 2019 ‘La Proportion Dorée’ reveals a vivid gold hue as well as a kaleidoscopic array of crushed citrus, honeyed lime, white flowers, green almonds, and crushed stone-like minerality. Beautifully complex, seamless, full-bodied, and concentrated on the palate, it has an incredible texture, bright acidity, and a brilliant finish. Hats off to winemaker Luc Morlet – no one does Bordeaux Blanc in California better.”

99 points

Jeb Dunnuck

JebDunnuck.com, Dec. 2021

“The 2019 ‘La Proportion Dorée’ offers notes of mandarin peel, Golden Delicious apples, and honeycomb with hints of lemon grass and shaved almonds. The full-bodied palate is decadently intense with rich, savory layers and honey-tinged apple and citrus fruits, featuring a lively backbone and epic length.”

97 points

Lisa Perrotti-Brown MW

The Wine Independent, Aug. 2022

