



MORLET

Family Vineyards

2021

‘MORLET ESTATE’

ST. HELENA, NAPA VALLEY CABERNET SAUVIGNON

Our unique estate lies on the western foothills, just north of the town of St. Helena. Shallow loamy topsoil and rocky subsoil of the Hambright and Felta series, as well as full sun exposure, create superb conditions for our Cabernet Sauvignon vines. Respecting its historic 1880 charm, we restored the pre-Prohibition stone winery, which is illustrated on the label. Handcrafted using classical winemaking techniques and reminiscent of a true First Growth, this wine represents the precious memory of a very special place.



<i>Proprietary name</i>	‘Morlet Estate’
<i>Varietal composition</i>	Cabernet Sauvignon (100%)
<i>Type of wine</i>	Estate grown; terroir-driven; vineyard designated
<i>Appellation</i>	St. Helena, Napa Valley
<i>Vineyard singularity</i>	Morlet Family Estate in St. Helena Bale soil series on foothills; Hambright & Felta soil series on hillside and ridge; Shallow loamy topsoil on rocky alluvial subsoil
<i>Farming</i>	Organic & sustainable farming by full-time, year-round Morlet Farming team
<i>Harvest date</i>	September 2021
<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>Ideal cellaring</i>	5 to 10 years after harvest date
<i>Arc of aging</i>	30+ years
<i>Serving</i>	61-64°F (16-18°C); Decant 1 hour prior to serving

TASTING NOTES

“The 2021 ‘Morlet Estate’ [reveals] notes of juicy blackberries, black plums, and cassis giving way to nuances of crushed rocks, star anise, lilacs, and mossy tree bark. The full-bodied palate shimmers with energetic black fruit laced with floral accents and wonderfully fine-grained tannins, finishing long and achingly fragrant.”

99 points

Lisa Perrotti-Brown MW

The Wine Independent, Feb. 2024

“The 2021 ‘Morlet Estate’ is the finest expression of this site I’ve tasted to date. Incredible darker cherries, currants, smoked tobacco, charcoal, and a Haut-Brion-like gravelly earth character all flow to a full-bodied, beautifully concentrated yet flawlessly balanced 2021. It has the vintage’s pure, focused, inward style, yet this is an absolute blockbuster of a wine.”

99 points

Jeb Dunnuck

JebDunnuck.com, Dec. 2023

