



MORLET

Family Vineyards

2021

‘PASSIONNÉMENT’

OAKVILLE, NAPA VALLEY CABERNET SAUVIGNON

Crafted with the passionate, uncompromised, and ongoing pursuit of quality, this judicious blend comes from the finest barrels of our manicured vineyards on the Oakville Bench and on the foothills of Knights Valley and St. Helena. As the French say, “Je t’aime, un peu, beaucoup, passionnément!” (I love you, a little, a lot, passionately!) This special wine is dedicated to Jodie Morlet. It is ‘Passionately’ or ‘Passionnément.’



Proprietary name	‘Passionnément’
Name meaning	Passionately Named in honor of Jodie Morlet
Varietal composition	Cabernet Sauvignon (100%)
Type of wine	Cuvée selection
Appellation	Oakville, Napa Valley
Vineyard singularity	Select barrels showcasing the synergy among the Morlet Family ‘Cœur de Vallée’ ‘Morlet Estate’ & ‘Mon Chevalier’ Estate Vineyards
Farming	Organic & sustainable farming by full-time, year-round Morlet Farming team
Harvest date	September-October 2021
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 & Darnajou 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 2021 ‘Passionnément’ unfurls to offer a provocative perfume of lavender, crushed rocks, and underbrush leading to a core of fresh blackcurrants, redcurrants, and mulberries plus a hint of red roses. The full-bodied palate has amazing tension and a jaw-dropping texture of superbly ripe tannins supporting the multi-layered black fruit and mineral layers, finishing long and perfumed. Wow!”

100 points

Lisa Perrotti-Brown MW

The Wine Independent, Feb. 2024

“The 2021 ‘Passionnément’ is upfront and as sexy as can be, offering a saturated ruby/purple hue, notes of red and black currants, walnuts, spice box, chocolate, and smoked tobacco, as well as full body, velvety tannins, and a broad, expansive, mouth-filling texture that’s to die for. Despite being a massive wine, it has perfect balance and no hard edges. Just about pure perfection.”

99 points

Jeb Dunnuck

JebDunnuck.com, Dec. 2023

