



MORLET
Family Vineyards

2020

‘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 2020
<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 2020 ‘Morlet Estate’ is such an elegant pure, pretty wine with finesse of character and juicy, bright energy. Silken tannins are long and beam-like; flourishes of toffee and toasty oak round out a plush and fashionable wine.”

97 points

Jonathan Cristaldi
Decanter, June 2023

“The 2020 ‘Morlet Estate’ brings out notes of baked plums, warm cassis, and kirsch followed by hints of iron ore, dried lavender, and licorice. The palate is taut with muscular black fruits framed by firm, grainy tannins and just enough freshness, finishing long and fragrant. Yum!”

96 points

Lisa Perrotti-Brown MW
The Wine Independent, Feb. 2024

“The 2020 ‘Morlet Estate’ is full-bodied in the mouth, with a rich, almost chocolaty feel across the palate and then long on the finish, with a gentle coating of soft, dusty tannins.” 96 points

Joe Czerwinski

Robert Parker Wine Advocate, Aug. 2024

