



2021
'MON CHEVALIER'

KNIGHTS VALLEY CABERNET SAUVIGNON

Located on the foothills of Knights Valley, our vineyard, comprised of rocky and loamy clay Red Hills soil, benefits from its proximity to Mount St. Helena, whose warm and windy climate is ideal for the long ripening of the red Bordeaux varietals: Cabernet Sauvignon, Cabernet Franc, Merlot, Malbec and Petit Verdot. Handcrafted using classical winemaking techniques, this special wine is dedicated to our son, Paul Morlet. It is 'My Knight' or 'Mon Chevalier.'



Proprietary name	'Mon Chevalier'
Name meaning	My Knight Named after our son Paul Morlet
Varietal composition	Cabernet Sauvignon (90%) Cabernet Franc (5%) Merlot (2%) Malbec (2%) Petit Verdot (1%)
Type of wine	Estate grown; terroir-driven; vineyard designated
Appellation	Knights Valley
Vineyard singularity	Morlet Family 'Mon Chevalier' Vineyard 500-600 feet elevation Rhyolitic, loam & volcanic ash
Farming	Organic & sustainable farming by full-time, year-round Morlet Farming team
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 & 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 'Mon Chevalier' bursts with bold notes of warm cassis, black cherry compote, and blueberry pie followed by hints of licorice, pencil shavings, and iron ore plus a hint of garrigue. The palate is tightly wound with black fruits intertwined with savory accents and a firm, grainy texture, finishing with an energetic lift."

96 points

Lisa Perrotti-Brown MW

The Wine Independent, Feb. 2024

"The 2021 'Mon Chevalier' is a beautiful, full-bodied, concentrated effort that has ample dark fruits, notes of baking chocolate, graphite, and savory herbs, ripe tannins, a broad, layered mouthfeel, and outstanding length."

96 points

Jeb Dunnuck

JebDunnuck.com, Dec. 2023

"With a dried floral character, gorgeous garrigue notes, and lifted dusty minerals, the 2021 'Mon Chevalier' is so distinct. With focus and intensity, super fine and silky tannins, and sweet brown Indian spices that bring lift to the tension-fueled finish; super expressive and polished."

96 points

Jonathan Cristaldi

Decanter, Sept. 2024

