



2012
'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.'



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| Proprietary name | 'Mon Chevalier' |
| Name meaning | My Knight Named after our son Paul Morlet |
| Varietal composition | Cabernet Sauvignon (86%) Cabernet Franc (8%) Merlot (3%) 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 Sorting | Night pick; manual; small lugs; refrigerated truck 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

« Tonique, la cuvée s'intègre dans la gamme où les autres vins sont plus orientés sur l'onctuosité et la gourmandise. Ici, on retrouve une énergie qui apporte une belle dynamique à l'ensemble. Le vin est droit, épicé, développant un grand fruit expressif avec une longueur acidulée. C'est très original et intense, ultra tonique. »

98 points

Thierry Desseauve

Bettane+Desseauve

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"Invigorating, the 2012 'Mon Chevalier' integrates into the Morlet Family Vineyards portfolio, where the other wines are more unctuous and hedonistic. In this wine, one finds an energy which brings a beautiful dynamic to the whole wine. The wine is lean and spicy, opening up to a great fruity expression with a zesty, lingering finish. This cuvée is a very original, intense, and ultra vibrant wine."

