



Les Petits
MORLET

2014

NAPA VALLEY CABERNET SAUVIGNON

Growing up the children of a fifth-generation French winemaker, Paul and Claire Morlet spent much of their childhood exploring vineyards while Luc shared his knowledge and passion for viticulture and winemaking with them. From a judicious blend of different barrels, this special cuvée embodies the youthful character and energy of younger vines and is the offspring of our mature Cabernet Sauvignon bottlings. Named in honor of Paul and Claire, who are now remarkable young adults, 'Les Petits Morlet' represents their passion, talents, optimism, and future.



<i>Proprietary name</i>	'Les Petits Morlet'
<i>Name meaning</i>	Named after our children Paul & Claire Morlet
<i>Varietal composition</i>	Cabernet Sauvignon
<i>Type of wine</i>	Cuvée selection
<i>Appellation</i>	Napa Valley
<i>Vineyard singularity</i>	Young vines from Morlet Family estate vineyards
<i>Farming</i>	Full-time, year-round Morlet Farming team
<i>Typical harvest date</i>	October
<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>	2 to 5 years after harvest date
<i>Arc of aging</i>	15 to 20 years
<i>Serving</i>	61-64°F (16-18°C)

TASTING NOTES

"The entry-level Bordeaux cuvée is the 2014 'Les Petits Morlet' which is 75% Cabernet Sauvignon and the balance Malbec, Cabernet Franc, and Petit Verdot. This cuvée gets younger vine fruit as well as the fruit that didn't make the cut for the upper cuvées, so the blend changes every year. The 2014 is a beautiful wine in its own right and worth your time and money. Crème de cassis, chocolate, and violet notes all flow to a full-bodied, deep, impressively concentrated effort that shows both the house elegance and purity, and the charming nature of the 2014 vintage."

93 points

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