



2023
'MA PRINCESSE'
RUSSIAN RIVER VALLEY CHARDONNAY

Located on the river bench of Sonoma County's Russian River, this vineyard benefits from Goldridge soil containing metamorphic rock. The cuttings come from the Old Wente field selection, renowned for excellent quality and minerality. Its concentration originates from the typically petite size of the berries. Handcrafted using classical Burgundian techniques, this wine is dedicated to our daughter, Claire Morlet. It is 'My Princess' or 'Ma Princesse.'



Proprietary name	'Ma Princesse'
Name meaning	My Princess Petit size of the Old Wente berries Named after our daughter Claire Morlet
Varietal composition	Chardonnay
Type of wine	Vineyard designated
Appellation	Russian River Valley
Vineyard singularity	Located on the hillside by the riverbank 35-100 feet elevation Southern exposure Goldridge and volcanic soils
Picking	Night pick; manual; small lugs; refrigerated truck
Sorting	Cluster-by-cluster
Fermentation	In barrel through native yeast
Upbringing	14 months in French oak barrels from selected artisan coopers Malolactic Sur lies with bâtonnage
Bottling	Unfined, unfiltered
Ideal cellaring	3 to 5 years after harvest date
Arc of aging	15 to 20 years
Serving	55-59°F (13-15°C); Decant when served young

TASTING NOTES

"The 2023 'Ma Princesse' prances out with showy scents of apple butter, juicy pears, and persimmons, leading to an undercurrent of lime blossoms, baking bread, and salty almonds. The full-bodied palate is intense and bright with tightly wound orchard fruit layers, a racy backbone, and creamy texture, finishing long and lifted."

97 points

Lisa Perrotti-Brown MW

The Wine Palate, July 2025

"The 2023 'Ma Princesse' has a hazy bright yellow hue. It's a pure white with a darker hint of delicate reduction, a smoky, stony feel, and notes of ripe apples, melon, orange blossom, and sherbet. It's long on the palate, with a full-bodied feel, and has a deeper, mouthwatering mineral persistence. It has the stylistic decadence you come to expect from Morlet, but it has a long mineral feel."

97 points

Audrey Frick

JebDunnuck.com, July 2025

