

2022

'FORCE TRANQUILLE'

OAKVILLE, NAPA VALLEY CABERNET FRANC

The To Kalon Creek flows under the historic bridge on our property, which is located in the world-renowned Oakville appellation. The combination of gravelly and clay-loamy Bale soil and silt-loamy Cole soil reveals the complexity and subtility of the Cabernet Franc. This graceful wine pays homage to Luc's mother, Marie-Thérèse Morlet, who has always displayed amazing courage and a spirit of humility. Her work ethic remains one of the forces behind our family's passion for crafting the best wines possible. It is 'Quiet Strength' or 'Force Tranquille.'



Proprietary name 'Force Tranquille' Name meaning Quiet Strength

In honor of Marie-Thérèse Morlet

Varietal composition Cabernet Franc (85%) Cabernet Sauvignon (15%)

Type of wine Vineyard designated
Appellation Oakville, Napa Valley

Vineyard singularity Morlet Family 'Cœur de Vallée' Vineyard

Cole soil series; loamy topsoil on silt-loamy subsoils; consisting of 40%-60% of gravel Organic & sustainable farming by full-time,

Farming Organic & sustainable farming by h

year-round Morlet Farming team

Harvest date September 2022

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 & Darnajou French oak puncheons;

Gvrobox™

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

"Deep garnet-purple in color - wow - the 2022 'Force Tranquille' rockets out with an amazing perfume of dried cherries, red currant preserves, and rose oil, giving way to wafts of garrigue, iron ore, and pencil shavings. The full-bodied palate is bright and energetic with finegrained tannins and seamless freshness, finishing long and fragrant."

Lisa Perrotti-Brown MW The Wine Palate, July 2025

"A delightful expression showcasing elegance and grace, the 2022 'Force Tranquille' reveals notes of black cherry and sweet, juicy red herbs that sway with freshness. The wine presents a seductive frame, enticing with dusty fruit paired with ripe cherry notes, graphite, and sweet oak spices. Herbal notes lean towards sweet red pepper rather than green bell pepper, resulting in a delightful and expressive profile. Very impressive, this wine will impress even the most skeptical Cabernet Franc lovers."

97 points Anthony Mueller AnthonyMueller.com, Oct. 2025

