



# MORLET

*Family Vineyards*

2023

## 'PASSIONNÉMENT'

OAKVILLE, NAPA VALLEY CABERNET SAUVIGNON

Crafted with the passionate, uncompromised, and ongoing pursuit of quality, this judicious blend comes from the finest barrels of our manicured vineyards on the Oakville Bench and on the foothills of Knights Valley and St. Helena. As the French say, "Je t'aime, un peu, beaucoup, passionnément!" (I love you, a little, a lot, passionately!) This special wine is dedicated to Jodie Morlet. It is 'Passionately' or 'Passionnément.'



<i>Proprietary name</i>	'Passionnément'
<i>Name meaning</i>	Passionately Named in honor of Jodie Morlet
<i>Varietal composition</i>	Cabernet Sauvignon (100%)
<i>Type of wine</i>	Cuvée selection
<i>Appellation</i>	Oakville, Napa Valley
<i>Vineyard singularity</i>	Select barrels showcasing the synergy among the Morlet Family 'Cœur de Vallée' 'Morlet Estate' & 'Mon Chevalier' Estate Vineyards
<i>Farming</i>	Organic & regenerative farming by full-time, year-round Morlet Farming team
<i>Harvest date</i>	September 2023
<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>	5 to 10 years after harvest date
<i>Arc of aging</i>	30+ years
<i>Serving</i>	61-64°F (16-18°C); Decant 1 hour prior to serving

### TASTING NOTES

*"The 2023 'Passionnément' is more upfront, perfumed, and expressive, and it reveals red and black currants, spicy wood, flowery incense, and graphite. Full-bodied and seamless, it delivers the elegance of the vintage with ample depth, opulence, and rock solid underlying tannins."*

99 points

Jeb Dunnuck

[JebDunnuck.com](http://JebDunnuck.com), Dec. 2025

*"Deep garnet-purple in color, the 2023 'Passionnément' bursts with vibrant notes of crème de cassis, plum preserves, and cedar chest, giving way to nuances of wild sage, lilacs, and fertile loam. The full-bodied palate is rich and opulent with firm, grainy tannins and impressive tension, finishing long and spicy."*

98 points

Lisa Perrotti-Brown, MW

[The Wine Palate](http://TheWinePalate.com), July 2025

