

# CHATEAU MORRISETTE

**Chateau Morrisette** is the result of a love affair between the Morrisette family and the rural Virginia mountains. What started as a “small” family getaway evolved into a property with 1,000 acres of unspoiled forest and has now become one of the largest wineries on the east coast. The winery has been family owned and operated for three generations since the first vines were planted in 1977 by William, Nancy, and David Morrisette.

Over the decades — and generations — the Morrisettes continue to invest in expanding and modernizing the various aspects of the winery. A new wine production facility was added in 1999 along with a spacious hospitality center crafted from Douglas Fir recycled timbers.

Chateau Morrisette remains an industry leader in quality wines and ciders, currently producing fifteen different wines, sparkling and ciders, sourcing products from their 150+ acres of estate vineyards and orchards as well as select growers throughout the commonwealth.



### THE WINEMAKER

**John Clews**, Chateau Morrisette's Head Winemaker, brings a true international flavor to the winery. Born in England, raised in Uganda, John's prior experiences at several very well known California wineries helped him to craft his talents, specializing in the production of unique and diversified red wines bold in character, complex in flavors and aromas. His craft over the years has created a talent very well recognized for creativity, an ability for blending varieties from vineyards throughout the commonwealth to culminate in beautifully well-made wines. They are balanced in flavor, aroma, and specialized characteristics that are unique to Virginia.



**Region:**  
Rocky Knob AVA

**Founded:**  
1978

**Production:**  
60k+ cases annually

**Acreage:**  
150+ acres

### Recent Accolades

**Our Dog Blue**  
2019 Finger Lakes Wine Competition Bronze

2018 Mid-Atlantic Southeastern Wine Competition Bronze

**Red Mountain Laurel**  
2015 Riverside (CA) International Wine Competition Best of Class; Chairman's Award (Unanimous Gold)

**The Black Dog**  
2019 Finger Lakes Wine Competition Gold

2018 Mid-Atlantic Southeastern Wine Competition Bronze

### THE WINES



**OUR DOG BLUE**

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**PETIT VERDOT**

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**RED MOUNTAIN LAUREL**

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**THE BLACK DOG**

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