

Signature Viognier



DARIOUSH DISTINCTION

Darioush Viognier beautifully expresses the eclectic and exotic character of this varietal. Grown in the cooler locales of the Oak Knoll appellation, with its dense early morning fog and afternoon breezes, enables this rare and finicky variety to ripen slowly yet completely, revealing the layers of bright fruit, floral and tropical flavors that define fine Viognier.

TASTING NOTES

An ideal vintage, 2014 was granted a mild winter, early bud break and consistently warm weather throughout harvest, yielding exceptional fruit quality on the vine. The 2014 Signature Viognier is plush and vibrant, exhibiting an exotic and tropical flavor profile—guava, passion fruit and papaya blended with bright citrus and stone fruits. A tinge of acidity compliments the wines delicate creamy texture of crème brulee, and reveals hints of jasmine, orange blossom and clove.

VINIFICATION

Meticulous attention to detail and minimal handling. Hand-harvested into small 28 lb. baskets. Hand-sorted and whole cluster pressed. Barrel fermented and aged 7 months sur-lie with bi-monthly batonage. Barrel lots racked prior to bottling

COMPOSITION 100% Viognier
 APPELLATION Darioush Estate Vineyards,
 Ashley Vineyard, Oak Knoll

WINEMAKER Steve Devitt
 AVAILABILITY 2,550 cases
 PRICE \$41.00

