

2015 VINTAGE - NAPA VALLEY

DARIOUSH

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 and Los Carneros appellations, dense early morning fog and afternoon breezes enable this rare and finicky variety to ripen slowly yet completely, revealing the layers of bright floral and stone fruit flavors that define fine Viognier.

TASTING NOTES

The lower yielding 2015 vintage coaxed intensified flavors from this naturally aromatic variety. Harvested in multiple passes through the vineyard to ensure optimal ripeness, 2015 Signature Viognier reveals remarkable density and purity of fruit. Opened by ethereal aromas of jasmine, freesia and sweet pea; Signature Viognier delicately reveals citrus and stone fruits- orange blossom, kumquat and juicy white nectarine cascade on the palate and are anchored by crisp Asian pear and subtle minerality. A refreshing and gratifying finish of lemon curd, clove and vanilla bean complement the wine's lean and graceful frame.

VINIFICATION

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

COMPOSITION 100% Viognier
APPELLATION Darioush Estate Vineyard in
Oak Knoll, and Los Carneros

WINEMAKER Steve Devitt
AVAILABILITY 2,185 cases
PRICE \$43.00

