

2016 VINTAGE - NAPA VALLEY

DARIOUSH

## Signature Viognier



### DARIOUSH DISTINCTION

Fragrant, alluring and exotic, Viognier is a rarity in Napa Valley. Darioush Signature Viognier expresses its inherently bright and vibrant character when grown from the cooler locales of Oak Knoll and Los Carneros where dense early morning fog and late afternoon breezes allow this delicate variety to ripen slowly and completely. The hallmark of Signature Viognier is its effusive floral aromatics and core of juicy stone fruit.

### TASTING NOTES

Showcasing Viognier's inherent freshness and purity with alluring honeysuckle, apricot and quince aromas, the remarkable 2016 vintage brims with nectarine, lychee and Asian pear flavors. The vintage adds a further layer of intrigue in the mouth, revealing a pleasing interplay of textures. Viognier's natural richness is lifted by refreshing acidity and flinty minerality - unfolding layers that slowly reveal its grace and complexity in a deeply memorable wine experience.

### VINIFICATION

Meticulous attention to detail and minimal handling. Hand-harvested, 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 2,585 cases  
PRICE \$44.00

