

DARIOUSH



2015 Darioush Signature Pinot Noir

RUSSIAN RIVER VALLEY

DARIOUSH DISTINCTION

Signature Pinot Noir is a vineyard-driven wine grown from a small four-acre parcel in one of the most cherished micro-regions in the Russian River Valley. We've had the privilege of sourcing from this unique site since 2003. Ideally suited for Pinot Noir, the predominant soil type is Goldridge, derived from an ancient inland sea that slowly emptied into the Pacific Ocean. Its excellent drainage and low soil fertility allow us to create a balanced vineyard ecosystem yielding exceptional, high-quality fruit without irrigation. The vineyard's gently sloping southeastern exposure combined with 35+ year vine age yield poised, complex and age-worthy Pinot Noir.

TASTING NOTES

The 2015 vintage showcases a silky, seamless personality with the depth and concentration that Russian River-grown Pinot Noir is acclaimed for. Its youthful energy abounds - fleshy red berry, orange peel, steeped black tea, fresh rose petal that quickly moves into more savory aspects. 2015 Signature Pinot Noir hits the palate with fruit and floral notes at the forefront, pronounced bright acidity maintains its lithe stance, and silky-smooth tannins on the long spice-laden finish - all which combine to create a vibrant wine.

VINIFICATION

With meticulous attention to detail in the vineyard and cellar, 2015 Signature Pinot Noir was hand-harvested, hand sorted, then pressed with 15% whole clusters. Primary fermentation began in traditional open top tanks, a technique that accentuates the fruit component yet also encourages spicy aromatics. Malolactic fermentation was completed in barrel. The wine was aged for 15 months in new Francois Freres Burgundy cooperage, medium, and medium plus toast. Barrel lots were racked prior to bottling. Signature Pinot Noir is unfinned and unfiltered.

COMPOSITION
100% Pinot Noir

APPELLATION
Russian River Valley

WINEMAKER
Steve Devitt

AVAILABILITY
792 cases

PRICE
\$68 / bottle, 750ml
\$816 / 12-bottle case

