

DARIOUSH



2012 Shahpar | Semillon / Sauvignon Blanc

NAPA VALLEY

DISTINCTION

This rare and extremely limited wine is made only when nature's good fortune allows the harvesting of grapes affected with *botrytis cinerea*, or noble rot. The white grapes destined for this wine were still on the vine in mid-November, slowly dehydrating and accumulating the noble rot essential for achieving its exquisitely rich honey and apricot profile.

TASTING NOTES

Aromatically complex, 2012 Shahpar exudes a classic profile of juicy apricot, honeysuckle and orange marmalade punctuated with vivacious citrus fruits and spice. The persistent pear, apple blossom and lemon oil on entry fall away to toasted coconut and vanilla bean with a delicate, pastry cream-like texture. For all its marked sweetness, an uplifting freshness is lent by the wine's predominantly hillside origins; it finishes with great depth, displaying hints of mineral and lemongrass.

COMPOSITION

68% Semillon
32% Sauvignon Blanc

APPELLATION

Darioush Estate Vineyards
Sage Vineyard - Mount Veeder
Oak Knoll

WINEMAKER

Steve Devitt

AVAILABILITY

309 cases

PRICE

\$70 / bottle, 375ml

