

# DARIOUSH



## 2017 Darioush Signature Sauvignon Blanc

MOUNT VEEDER

### DARIOUSH DISTINCTION

Our latest release of Sage Vineyard Sauvignon Blanc is sourced from three small blocks nestled between 1800-2100 feet on our Mount Veeder vineyard estate. Mount Veeder is the most temperate of the mountainside Napa Valley AVA's. Cool pockets are common at high elevations - a result of the marine influence of San Pablo Bay, moderate sun exposure and varied topography. These microclimates provide the ideal conditions for gradual ripening and flavor development.

### TASTING NOTES

Harvested in two separate passes from mid- to late- September, 2017 Signature Sauvignon Blanc preserves the inherent vivacity and freshness of this poised, precise variety. Opening with terrific fruit intensity—notes of pineapple, green mango and melon make way to a core of citrus fruits and mineral layers. Tangy grapefruit, kumquat and lemon curd combine with crushed rocks and hints of chalk dust on a medium-bodied palate. A crisp, refreshing line supports a lengthy, lifted finish accentuated by herbal notes.

### VINIFICATION

Receiving meticulous attention in the vineyard throughout the growing season, Sauvignon Blanc was hand-harvested in two passes on September 12th and 20th 2017 for optimal ripeness and freshness. The grapes were hand-sorted and whole cluster pressed, then cool fermented and aged in a combination of 85% neutral and 15% new French oak barrels for 6 months. Minimal handling in the cellar; barrel lots were racked prior to bottling.

#### COMPOSITION

100% Sauvignon Blanc

#### APPELLATION

Darioush Estate Vineyard  
Sage Vineyard - Mount Veeder

#### WINEMAKER

Steve Devitt

#### AVAILABILITY

392 cases

#### PRICE

\$52/ bottle, 750ml  
\$624 / 12-bottle case

