

Signature Cabernet Sauvignon



Darioush Distinction

Grown in the cooler climates of Southern Napa Valley and upon the rocky slopes of Mount Veeder, our Cabernet Sauvignon 'Signature' will always be its graceful combination of rich concentrated fruit, earth and spice. Always a traditional Bordeaux-style blend, the addition of Merlot, Malbec, Petit Verdot, and Cabernet Franc round out the palate and contribute to a long and luscious finish.

Tasting Notes

Alluring floral and licorice aromatics combine with the sweet scent of crushed blackberries to introduce this alluring wine. Finely-knit tannins support a rich, full-bodied mid-palate of crème de cassis, European dark chocolate, espresso, earth and exotic allspice.

Vinification

Meticulous attention to detail in vineyard and cellar. Hand-harvested into small 28 lb baskets. Hand-sorted twice, before and after de-stemming. Fermentation includes cold soaking for 4 days, with gentle pump-overs and extended maceration for optimal color extraction and tannin management. Barrel lots were racked 2-3 times per year for clarity.

Rated 93 | Robert Parker's Wine Advocate

"The 2004 Cabernet Sauvignon offers up classic scents of creme de cassis, licorice and graphite, a full-bodied mouthfeel, a complex, multilayered texture, lots of cassis, incense, and spice box, sweet tannins, decent acidity and impressive depth."

COMPOSITION	85% Cabernet Sauvignon, 10% Merlot, 2% Cabernet Franc, 2% Malbec, 1% Petit Verdot	WINEMAKER	Steve Devitt
APPELLATION	Darioush Estate in Napa Valley, Mt. Veeder and Oak Knoll	AVAILABILITY	Limited Library Release
COOPERAGE	Aged 24 months in 70% new French oak barrels; 3 year sea- soned Tronçais and Allier Forests, Bordeaux		

