

## Signature Shiraz



### Darioush Distinction

Darioush Signature Shiraz continues to demonstrate the remarkable potential of our cool vineyard site in Southern Napa Valley. Grown from a combination of both old-vine Australian Shiraz and Northern Rhone clones, the finished wine stays true to its inherently spicy and seductive spirit.

### Tasting Notes

A deep inky purple color and sumptuous aromas of black fruits, exotic spices and earth introduce the 2009 Signature Shiraz as a purely seductive and profoundly unique offering. More serious than prior vintages, this wine's dense and texturally complex nature is reminiscent of a young, ripe Côte-Rôtie - offering up flavors of black licorice, blueberry and earthy-sumac spice alongside camphor and bittersweet cocoa.

### 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 in a combination of opened top and traditional fermenters, with gentle pump-overs and extended maceration for optimal color extraction and tannin management.

COMPOSITION 100% Shiraz  
 APPELLATION Darioush Estate Vineyards in  
 Napa Valley and Oak Knoll

WINEMAKER Steve Devitt  
 AVAILABILITY Limited Library Release

