

2012 VINTAGE - NAPA VALLEY



Duel Shiraz/Cabernet Sauvignon



The Dueling Lion and Bull

A symbol of harmony and seasonal transition during the Persian New Year, NowRuz, the representation of two powerful and opposing forces as they embrace as one on the vernal equinox each spring. Nature's grace and brute are in accord with one another, an apt metaphor for the duality expressed here between Cabernet Sauvignon and Shiraz.

Duel Distinction

Grown in two distinct blocks on the Darioush estate in Napa Valley and Oak Knoll, Duel is the idyllic marriage of two distinguished varietals: Cabernet Sauvignon and Shiraz. This unique blend combines the deeply satisfying fruit and earthy minerality of Cabernet Sauvignon with the zesty spice and fresh berry fruits inherent to Darioush Shiraz.

Tasting Notes

Compelling for both its power and intrigue, 2012 Duel features luscious and spicy Shiraz cradled by rich, velvety Cabernet Sauvignon. This predominantly Shiraz based blend offers a concentrated core of blackberry liqueur with savory hints of black pepper and bacon, polished by notes of chocolate truffle, clove and cinnamon-spices.

COMPOSITION 65% Shiraz,
35% Cabernet Sauvignon

APPELLATION Darioush Estate in Napa Valley,
Mt. Veeder and Oak Knoll

WINEMAKER Steve Devitt

AVAILABILITY 1,911 cases

PRICE Limited Library Release

