



COMPOSITION 100% Viognier

APPELLATION Darioush Estate Vineyards,
Ashley Vineyard, Oak Knoll

COOPERAGE Aged 7 months sur-lies in
15% new French oak, Burgundy cooperage

WINEMAKER Steve Devitt

AVAILABILITY 1499 cases

PRICE \$39.00

DARIOUSH

SIGNATURE VIOGNIER

2010 VINTAGE ~ NAPA VALLEY

DARIOUSH DISTINCTION

Our estate grown Viognier derives its unique style from a four-acre vineyard site in the Oak Knoll appellation. The cool micro-climate of the vineyard allows this temperamental varietal to slowly develop robust and concentrated floral and fruit characteristics. The fruit, and resulting wine, is minimally handled to express its pure and fragrant nature.

TASTING NOTES

Bright and alluring fragrances of macadamia nut, guava and honeysuckle introduce the distinctive 2010 Signature Viognier. A notable crisp green apple acidity pleases the palate while delightful flavors of Asian pear, star fruit and white nectarine harmonize with a nuanced finish accented by orange zest, clove and toffee.

VINIFICATION

- ~ Meticulous attention to detail and minimal handling
- ~ Hand-harvested into small 28 lb. baskets
- ~ Hand-sorted and whole cluster pressed
- ~ Barrel fermented and aged 7 months sur-lie with bi-monthly batonage
- ~ Barrel lots racked prior to bottling

NICK HETZEL, SOMMELIER

REDD RESTAURANT, YOUNTVILLE, CA

"The Darioush Napa Valley Viognier is ripe and lush with a huge amount of white peach, nectarine and caramelized banana fruits. The bright acidity leads to a long, refreshing finish and makes it an ideal food companion."

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