



DARIOUSH

SIGNATURE VIOGNIER

2008 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

Honeysuckle, jasmine and citrus fruit aromas leap from the glass, introducing a vibrant and succulent mouthfeel of juicy peach and cantaloupe balanced by the bright acidity of orange blossom and lemon zest. The 2008 Viognier finishes with lingering notes of white nectarine, nutmeg and vanilla bean.

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."

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

PRODUCTION 1950 cases

PRICE \$39.00

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