

COMPOSITION 100% Viognier

APPELLATION Darioush Estate Vineyards, Napa Valley, Ashley Vineyard, Oak Knoll

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

WINEMAKER Steve Devitt

PRODUCTION 1376 cases

PRICE \$35.00

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SIGNATURE VIOGNIER

2006 VINTAGE ~ NAPA VALLEY

DARIOUSH DISTINCTION

Year after year, Darioush Signature Viognier is described with accolades such as 'vibrant,' 'floral,' and 'seductive' from a growing number of devoted followers. This single vineyard estate-grown Viognier derives its distinctive character from a four acre site within our Ashley vineyard. One of our most popular wines, it is available for only a few months every summer.

TASTING NOTES

Citrus blossom, jasmine and honeysuckle aromas leap from the glass, distinguishing the unique qualities of this varietal right away. The flavors remind us of biting into a ripe August peach - bright, vibrant, juicy and succulent with just the right amount of creamy pear and lemon citrus acidity to keep it refreshing and balanced on the palate. Notes of wildflower honey, toasted walnut and vanilla add further complexity and intrigue.

VINIFICATION

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

NICK HETZEL, SOMMELIER

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"The 2006 Darioush Napa Valley Viogner 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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