

DARIOUSH



2007 Darioush Signature Shiraz

NAPA VALLEY

DARIOUSH DISTINCTION

Crafted to balance the fruit complexity, structure and age-worthiness of this ancient varietal, 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

Introduced by enticing aromas of cassis, pomegranate and orange zest, the 2007 Shiraz possesses a wealth of dark fruits and spices from cinnamon to clove and star-anise. A firm core of earthy blackberry fruit is enhanced by notes of baker's chocolate and toasted almond followed by a long, espresso-laced finish.

VINIFICATION

With meticulous attention to detail, 2007 Signature Shiraz was hand-harvested and hand sorted twice, before and after de-stemming. Cold soaking for four days in a combination of open top and traditional tanks, with gentle pump overs and extended maceration during fermentation allowed for optimal color extraction and tannin management. The wine was aged in new Siruge, Damy and François Frères French Oak barrels for 18 months.

WINE SPECTATOR | RATED 93

"Tightly wound, firm, intense and concentrated, with a mix of dark berry, roasted herb, espresso and pomegranate notes, gaining depth and complexity on the finish, where the mineral and black licorice flavors rise to the surface. Drink now through 2020.—J.L."

COMPOSITION
100% Shiraz

APPELLATION
Dariosh Estate Vineyards
Napa Valley
Oak Knoll

WINEMAKER
Steve Devitt

AVAILABILITY
Limited Library
Release

