

# DARIOUSH



## 2016 Darioush Signature Shiraz

NAPA VALLEY

### DARIOUSH DISTINCTION

Darioush Signature Shiraz is crafted to coax the inherent complexity, structure, and age-worthiness from this versatile variety. Southern Napa Valley's cooler microclimates, along with meticulous vineyard management naturally restrain vigor while intensifying its rich, spicy and soulful character.

### TASTING NOTES

2016 Signature Shiraz is impressively textured and dense, showing rich layers of spice with a broad and generous palate of ripe, black fruits. Incense, orange zest, and dried violet aromas introduce decadent layers of black cherry, plum and berry compote accentuated by pink peppercorn, dusty baker's chocolate and pie spice. Anchored by earthy notes of sandalwood and saddle leather, its sweet, ripe tannins support a long and deeply satisfying finish.

### VINIFICATION

With meticulous attention to detail, 2016 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.

#### COMPOSITION

100% Shiraz

#### APPELLATION

Darioush Estate Vineyards  
Napa Valley  
Oak Knoll

#### WINEMAKER

Steve Devitt

#### AVAILABILITY

2,325 cases

#### PRICE

\$78 / bottle, 750ml  
\$936 / 12-bottle case

