

# DARIOUSH



## 2019 Darioush Signature Sauvignon Blanc

MOUNT VEEDER

### DARIOUSH DISTINCTION

Our latest release of Sage Vineyard Sauvignon Blanc is sourced from three small blocks nestled between 1800 - 2100 feet on our Mount Veeder vineyard estate. Mount Veeder is the most temperate of the mountainside Napa Valley AVA's, its southernmost location, the marine influence of the nearby San Pablo Bay, moderate sun exposure and varied topography result in cool pockets at high elevations. These microclimates provide the ideal conditions for gradual ripening and flavor development; Signature Sauvignon Blanc shows remarkable brightness, purity and refinement.

### TASTING NOTES

The relatively cooler 2019 growing season atop Mount Veeder resulted in one of our most bright and energetic offerings of Signature Sauvignon Blanc. Opening with a burst of juicy kiwi, quince and lychee fruit aromas adjoined on the palate by refreshing citrus notes—grapefruit, key lime, and tangy lemon curd. For its exceptional stature, weight and fruit-tone, the wine is cohesive and beautifully balanced by earth-driven qualities reminiscent of freshly cut grass and morning dew settling upon a gravelly meadow.

### VINIFICATION

This mountain-grown Sauvignon Blanc ripened evenly and completely, then was hand-harvested in two separate passes for optimal flavor and freshness. The grapes were hand-sorted and whole cluster pressed, then cool fermented and aged in a combination of 75% neutral and 25% new French oak barrels for 6 months. Minimal handling in the cellar; barrel lots were racked prior to bottling.

#### COMPOSITION

100% Sauvignon Blanc

#### APPELLATION

Darioush Estate Vineyard  
Sage Vineyard - Mount Veeder

#### WINEMAKER

Hope Goldie

#### AVAILABILITY

432 cases

