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## 2017 Darioush Signature Cabernet Sauvignon

NAPA VALLEY

#### DARIOUSH DISTINCTION

The hallmark of Darioush Signature Cabernet Sauvignon is its graceful complexity, compelling freshness and concentration, the result of decades of meticulous vineyard management of our cooler climate, Southern Napa Valley sites. Our estate vineyards in the Mount Veeder and Napa Valley AVA's have hit their stride, producing a seamless composition which strikes a balance of youthful energy, structure, and restraint; our flagship wine rewards collectors and enthusiasts alike with extraordinary depth and poise.

#### TASTING NOTES

Overcoming Mother Nature's challenges and enhancing the strengths of each vintage is the never-ending task of farming and winemaking. While limited in yield by the loss of much of our mountain fruit in 2017, this Cabernet Sauvignon showcases the luscious, earthy profile of our winery estate south of Stag's Leap. Aromas and flavors of dried cherry, blackberry, and cassis alongside dried herbs, licorice, incense, and dusty cocoa are supported by beautifully polished tannins that carry through the lively, mineral-laced finish.

#### VINIFICATION

Hand-harvested between September 26th and October 6th, and sorted twice, before and after de-stemming. Fermentation includes cold soaking for 4 days in traditional fermenters with gentle pump-overs for optimal color extraction and tannin management. Aged 22 months in 85% new Chateau Traditional French oak barrels. Barrel lots were racked 2-3 times per year for clarity.

### WINE Spectator | RATED 92

"Reveals notions of warm cassis, blueberry preserves and boysenberries with touches of cedar chest, cherry cola and spice cake. Full-bodied, the palate has a firm texture and a lively line carrying the spicy black berry preserves flavors to a nice long finish."

COMPOSITION
76% Cabernet Sauvignon,
20% Merlot, 2% Malbec,
2% Petit Verdot

APPELLATION Darioush Estate Vineyard Napa Valley WINEMAKERS Hope Goldie Steve Devitt

AVAILABILITY 7,216 cases