

DARIOUSH



2007 Darioush Signature Pinot Noir

RUSSIAN RIVER VALLEY

DARIOUSH DISTINCTION

The highly acclaimed neighborhood on Vine Hill Road in Russian River is home to our four-acre estate Pinot Noir vineyard. We find this locale yields wines with a keenly defined, multi-layered flavor profile reminiscent of Côte de Nuits. A large portion of the berries are whole cluster fermented, an old-world tradition, to reveal a nished wine with great character, complexity and poise.

TASTING NOTES

Introduced by its brilliant clarity, ruby-red color and delicate aromas of strawberries, cinnamon, rosebud and lavender, Darioush 2007 Pinot Noir is lithe, yet powerful on the palate. Possessing a remarkable combination of structure, acidity, fruit-intensity and persistence, the flavors of licorice, cola, clove and bright red cherry will evolve gracefully for a decade.

VINIFICATION

With meticulous attention to detail in the vineyard and cellar, 2007 Signature Pinot Noir was hand-harvested, hand sorted, then pressed with 15% whole clusters. Primary fermentation began in traditional open top tanks, a technique that accentuates the fruit component yet also encourages spicy aromatics. Malolactic fermentation was completed in barrel. The wine was aged for 15 months in new François Frères Burgundy cooperage, medium and medium plus toast. Barrel lots were racked prior to bottling. Signature Pinot Noir is unfinned and unfiltered.

COMPOSITION
100% Pinot Noir

APPELLATION
Russian River Valley

WINEMAKER
Steve Devitt

AVAILABILITY
Limited Library
Release

