

## Signature Cabernet Sauvignon



### Darioush Distinction

Inspired by the great wines of Bordeaux, our Signature Cabernet Sauvignon exemplifies how meticulous attention to detail in the vineyard result in powerful wines with extraordinary depth, character and poise. Having reached a quarter-century of maturity, our cool climate estate vineyards on Silverado Trail and atop the rocky slopes of Mount Veeder have yielded an exceptional 2007 vintage.

### Tasting Notes

This powerful, yet harmonious wine is defined by aromas of rosewood, dried orange peel, lavender and cola. Gorgeously textured fruits abound – black currant and blueberry mingle with earthy flavors of dusty chocolate, dark-roast espresso and sandalwood incense on the palate. The long finish is supported by soft, silky tannins and accentuated by a spice box of cinnamon and tobacco.

**Retasted March 2016:** The 2007 shows power, density and concentration. Aromas of blackberry liquor, dark cherry, dark cocoa, vanilla bean and oolong tea introduce a savory palate of licorice, herbs, sandalwood framed by plush, well-integrated ripe tannin. Long, lingering subtle flavors of cocoa powder, black tea, dried fruit and spice are on the finish. Age another 8+ years.

### Vinification

Meticulous attention to detail in vineyard and minimal cellar handling. Hand-harvested into small 28 lb. baskets. Hand-sorted twice, before and after de-stemming. Fermentation includes cold soaking for 4 days in a combination of opened top and traditional fermenters, with gentle pump-overs and extended maceration for optimal color extraction and tannin management. Barrel lots were racked 2-3 times per year for clarity.

COMPOSITION 85% Cabernet Sauvignon,  
7% Merlot, 5% Cabernet Franc,  
3% Malbec

APPELLATION Darioush Estate in Napa Valley,  
Mt. Veeder and Oak Knoll

WINEMAKER Steve Devitt

AVAILABILITY 9,845 cases

