



DARIOUSH

SIGNATURE CHARDONNAY
2010 VINTAGE ~ NAPA VALLEY

DARIOUSH DISTINCTION

Vintage after vintage, the consistently cool climates of Darioush's Southern Napa Valley estates and the historically renowned Chardonnay vineyards of Hudson Ranch, Las Amigas and Muir, conspire to produce wines with character, complexity and classicism. Seamlessly integrated layers of ripe stone fruits, vibrant and energetic citrus and the delicacy offered by mineral tones are hallmarks of our style. Darioush Signature Chardonnays maintain a classic richness with uncommon flavor density and precision, promising further evolution over time.

TASTING NOTES

Influenced by a consecutive cooler-than-average growing season, the 2010 Signature Chardonnay portrays more complex aromatics and exceptional concentration of flavor. Its luminous light gold/straw color and rich aromatics of quince, jasmine and roasted hazelnuts tempt the first sips. On the palate, creamy lemon meringue and yeasty-lies, evoking Krug Champagne, mingle with orange peel and Tarte Tatin while underlying acidity gives the wine its lively personality. Notes of grapefruit, clove and toasted wheat delight on the finish.

VINIFICATION

- ~ Hand-harvested at night into small 28 lb. baskets to insure cold fruit
- ~ Hand-sorted and whole cluster pressed
- ~ Barrel fermented sur-lie for 11 months with weekly batonage
- ~ Each lot was racked only prior to bottling with minimal handling
- ~ Unfined and Unfiltered

COMPOSITION 100% Chardonnay

APPELLATION Darioush Estate Vineyards in Napa Valley, Oak Knoll and Carneros

COOPERAGE Aged 11 months in 70% new French oak- Siruge, Damy and Francois Freres Burgundy barrels

WINEMAKER Steve Devitt

AVAILABILITY 2,100 cases

PRICE \$43.00

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