

Darius II







Darioush Distinction

The Crown Jewel of the Darioush estate, Darius II captures the diverse and exquisite beauty within each vintage. With an uncompromising commitment to crafting a wine with complexity, composure and refinement, Darius II is the hallmark of the Darioush style.

Tasting Notes

Exotic and complex, 2010 Darius II commands attention with dense earthbound elements of dried fig and blueberry, dried provencal herbs, concentrated dark berry and cocoa powder. Higher portions of Mount Veeder Cabernet Franc distinguish this wine from its predecessors. The refined and persistent tannins are ripe and compact, promising long-life and cellar-worthy rewards. For long-time collectors, the dense structure and potency of the 2010 Darius II is reminiscent of the 2006 and 2002 vintages.

The Label

For millennia, humankind has scanned the heavens searching for meaning and clues to our existence. Zarathustra, a 6th century BC Persian prophet and father of astrology, believed good thoughts, words and deeds were the keys to eternal bliss. Zoroastrianism inspired centuries of artistic endeavors such as this celestial pattern, carved upon a wood ceiling of a wealthy merchant's home. The repeating pattern reminds us of the infinite nature of the universe, while the craftsmen's inconsistencies within the work symbolize the imperfection of human nature.

COMPOSITION 80% Cabernet Sauvignon,

14% Cabernet Franc, 6% Merlot

APPELLATION Sage Vineyard - Mt Veeder

Apadana Block - Darioush Estate

COOPERAGE Aged 20 months in 100% new

WINEMAKER Steve Devitt

AVAILABILITY Limited Library Release

