

DARIOUSH



2019 Darioush Signature Cabernet Franc

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DARIOUSH DISTINCTION

The unique terroir of our rocky, high-elevation Mount Veeder estate combines a cool, marine-influenced climate with exceptional sun exposure to naturally and completely develop the complex and distinctive character of this classic Bordeaux variety. Possessing both power and poise, Darioush Cabernet Franc's hallmarks are its dense blue fruits, layered earthy-herbal notes, refined tannins and hints of bittersweet cocoa that persist across a long finish.

TASTING NOTES

Lifted floral aromas of violet and lilac intertwine with blueberry notes to introduce the elegant and seamless 2019 Signature Cabernet Franc. On the palate, Damson plums, sandalwood, and bergamot mingles with vivid berry flavors while subtle minerality is reminiscent of a mountain hike through granitic streams surrounded by conifers and forest undergrowth. The lush finish echoes raspberry liqueur and plum compote with silky tannins to spare.

VINIFICATION

With meticulous attention to detail, Darioush Signature Cabernet Franc is hand-harvested into small 28 lb. baskets. Clusters and berries are hand-sorted twice, before and after de-stemming. Fermented in traditional closed top fermenters, including cold soaking for 4 days, with gentle pump-overs for optimal color extraction and tannin management. The wine was aged 22 months in a combination of 70% new French oak barrels, with minimal barrel-to-barrel racking.

COMPOSITION

100% Cabernet Franc

APPELLATION

Darioush Estate Vineyards in
Mount Veeder and Napa Valley,
and Atlas Peak

WINEMAKER

Hope Goldie

AVAILABILITY

2,048 cases

