

DARIOUSH



2019 Darioush Signature Pinot Noir

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DARIOUSH DISTINCTION

Signature Pinot Noir is a vineyard-driven wine sourced since 2003 from a small, unique parcel in one of the most cherished subregions in the Russian River Valley. Ideally suited for Pinot Noir, the predominant soil type is Goldridge, derived from an ancient inland sea that slowly emptied into the Pacific Ocean. Its excellent drainage and low soil fertility create a balanced vineyard ecosystem yielding exceptional, high-quality fruit without irrigation. The vineyard's gently sloping southeastern exposure combined with 35+ year vine age yield poised, complex and age-worthy wines.

TASTING NOTES

2019 Signature Pinot Noir reveals a plush and overall seamless wine experience. Opening with delicate botanical scents of lilac, violet, and dried orange peel, the wine exhibits an elegant and velvety mouthfeel. Vibrant flavors of Bing cherry and tangy plum are punctuated by warm baking spices and framed by seamless tannins and integrated, savory notes of smoked bacon and wild thyme.

VINIFICATION

February and late May rains contributed to a late bud-break, followed by a cool, even and long growing season, allowing for slow, even ripening and peak flavor development. Hand-harvested and hand-sorted between the 20th and 28th of September, primary fermentation began in traditional open-top tanks with 15% whole clusters, a technique which accentuates fruit and spice aromatics. The wine was aged for 15 months in new François Frères Burgundy cooperage. Barrel lots were racked once, and the wine was bottled without fining or filtration.

COMPOSITION
100% Pinot Noir

APELLATION
Russian River Valley

WINEMAKER
Hope Goldie

AVAILABILITY
985 cases

