

DARIOUSH



2007 Darius II Cabernet Sauvignon

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DARIOUSH DISTINCTION

The Crown Jewel from Darioush, Darius II Cabernet Sauvignon is hand-selected from several barrel lots which possess exquisite beauty and purity of character. Grown in the finest blocks of our Apadana and Mount Veeder Estates, the benchmark of the Darius II is its rich, regal style. The highly praised 2007 vintage marks Darioush's 10th anniversary.

TASTING NOTES

Aromas of violets, lavender, sweet black cherry and graphite abound, introducing an opulent palate of cassis, black licorice, plum and dark bittersweet chocolate. Ripe, fully-integrated tannins decadently enhance the wines flavor and texture into an enduring finish of exotic spices, vanilla bean and mocha.

VINIFICATION

With meticulous attention to detail, 2007 Darius II was hand-harvested and hand sorted twice, before and after de-stemming. Cold soaking for four days in a combination of open top and traditional tanks, with gentle pump overs and extended maceration during fermentation allowed for optimal color extraction and tannin management. The wine was aged in new Taransaud Chateau Traditional French Oak barrels for 20 months. Barrels were racked 2-3 times per year for clarity.

ROBERT PARKER | RATED 94

"The wine hits the palate with tremendous opulence, richness and intensity...the seamlessness of the wine's overall personality is flawless."

COMPOSITION

90% Cabernet Sauvignon
5% Merlot
5% Malbec

APPELLATION

Sage Vineyard – Mt Veeder
Apadana Block – Darioush Estate

WINEMAKER

Steve Devitt

AVAILABILITY

Limited Library
Release

