



## 2015 Darioush Duel Cabernet Shiraz

**Price:** \$89.95 + refundable bottle deposit and handling fee

**Varietal:** Shiraz/Syrah, Cabernet Sauvignon

**Brand:** Darioush

**LCBO Product #:** 579911

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**Region:** Napa Valley, California, USA

**Category:** Regular Consignment

**Bottles Per Case:** 12

**Bottle Size:** 750ml

### Availability

Availability in consignment

### Background

Darioush Khaledi, a man passionate about fine wines founded Darioush Winery in 1997. Khaledi grew up in Iran's Shiraz region, a wine-growing region until the Islamic revolution - As an adult, he became a devoted collector of fine wines. Located just outside the Stag's Leap District, the Darioush Winery Estate benefits from the cooling marine influence of the San Pablo Bay. The Estate is primarily planted to the classic Bordeaux varietals: Cabernet Sauvignon, Petit Verdot, Malbec, Cabernet Franc, Merlot - Extremely limited quantities of Shiraz, Chardonnay and Viognier are also planted on the property.

### Tasting Notes

2015 Duel makes a bold first impression— asserting itself with seductive and brooding incense smoke, clove and black currant aromas as they rise from the glass. The palate is dense with juicy flavors of savory blackberry jam, plum, steeped chai tea with hints of black pepper and chocolate ganache. Stunning in its youth, Duel's combination of dark fruits, wet gravel-like texture, and grippy yet refined tannins are reminiscent of Cornas in the Northern Rhône. It's largesse and long finish signals that much reward lies ahead for those with patience.

**Wine Spectator 93 points** (April 30, 2018) "Polished and well-structured, with blackberry and savory spice aromas and layered blueberry, espresso and licorice flavors that build toward refined tannins. Shiraz and Cabernet Sauvignon. Drink now through 2027. 2,050 cases made.

