

## Legends of the Labyrinth The Minotaur 2016

A Cape blend of Pinotage 45 %, Malbec 21 %, Cabernet Franc 18 % and Shiraz 16%. Dark purple in colour with dark cherry, blackberry and truffle. The palate is complex with a medium to full bodied finish with generous but smooth, lingering, integrated tannins.

At home with red meat, rich sauces and particularly with game. Slowly cooked lamb shank with a Minotaur reduction, roast potatoes and fresh herbs.

**variety :** Pinotage | 45% Pinotage, 21% Malbec, 18% Cabernet Franc, 16% Shiraz

**winery :** Doolhof Wine Estate

**winemaker :** Gielie Beukes

**wine of origin :** Wellington

**analysis :** alc : 13.91 % vol   rs : 4.0 g/l   pH : 3.49   ta : 6.0 g/l

**type :** Red   **style :** Dry   **body :** Full   **taste :** Fragrant   **wooded**

**pack :** Bottle   **size :** 750ml   **closure :** Cork

The Minotaur 2008 Silver Michelangelo International Wine Awards 2010

The Minotaur 2008 89 Points Parker Points

The Minotaur 2009 Gold Michelangelo International Wine Awards

The Minotaur 2009 Double Gold Veritas Awards

The Minotaur 2016 91 Points Tim Atkin Report 2018

The Minotaur - a creature half man, half bull was the product of forbidden love between Pasiphae and Poseidon. Banished to the Labyrinth by King Minos for terrorizing the Cretans, he was eventually killed by Theseus, the Athenian Hero.

### in the vineyard :

The wine was produced from hand picked grapes from our premier vineyards.

### in the cellar :

Bunch sorting, followed by destemming and no crushing into open-top barrels, fermentation lasted for 8 days with three punch downs per day. Extended maceration post ferment for 10 days. Malolactic fermentation took place in barrel. Ageing in 40 % new French oak 300 l barrels lasted for 18 months after which the wine was bottled in December 2017.

