

Signatures of Doolhof

Single Vineyard Malbec 2020

A rich, deep, voluptuous Malbec from the Cape Winelands.

Tasting Notes: Intense garnet to dark purple in colour with vibrant aromas of violets, cocoa and black pepper. The palate shows richness and roundness with flavours of blackberries and plum.



Winemaker's Notes: Planted on a western facing slope and in Glenrosa type soils on a deep shale base, this vineyard of Malbec ripens quite early yielding superior quality fruit with good analysis and a lovely vibrant natural acidity. The grapes were hand picked and whole bunch sorted over a week and crushed and destemmed into a stainless steel tank. Most of the extraction happens during a coldsoak for two to three days, followed by a slow fermentation. With extended time on the skins post ferment, further aroma development is allowed. After malolactic fermentation finishes naturally on the skins, the grapes were pressed dry and matured in 40% new French oak as well as 2nd and 3rd fill French oak barrels for 12 months before racking and bottling in September 2021.

Analysis:

Alcohol:	13.4 %
pH:	3,49
Total Acidity:	5.7 g/l
Residual Sugar:	2.5 g/l

Serving Suggestion: Serve with roast leg of lamb, also great with matured cheese and preserves.

Chef's Special: Springbok fillet cooked in a Malbec reduction.

SAWI Rating: 95+ / Top 10 Platinum Status

Awards:	Signatures of Doolhof Malbec 2007	Double Gold	Michelangelo Wine Awards 2009
	Signatures of Doolhof Malbec 2007	Double Gold	Tri Nations 2009
	Signatures of Doolhof Malbec 2007	National Winner	SA Terroir Wine Awards 2009
	Signatures of Doolhof Malbec 2007	Gold	Decanter World Wine Awards
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	Signatures of Doolhof Malbec 2010	Top 100 winner	Top 100 SA Wines 2012
	Signatures of Doolhof Malbec 2010	Best Value	Top 100 SA Wines 2012
	Signatures of Doolhof Malbec 2010	National Winner	SA Terroir Wine Awards 2012
	Signatures of Doolhof Malbec 2011	Silver	Michelangelo Wine Awards 2013
	Signatures of Doolhof Single Vineyard Malbec 2014	Top 20 SA wines for 2016 and best Malbec over 10 years-SAWI	SAWI Awards
	Signatures of Doolhof Single Vineyard Malbec 2014	National Winner	SA Terroir Awards 2016
	Signatures of Doolhof Single Vineyard Malbec 2014	Best Single Vineyard Wine	Sa Terroir Awards 2016
	Signatures of Doolhof Single Vineyard Malbec 2015	Double Platinum	National Wine Challenge 2017 / Top 100 SA Wines
	Signatures of Doolhof Single Vineyard Malbec 2015	Top 100 winner	National Wine Challenge 2017 / Top 100 SA Wines
	Signatures of Doolhof Single Vineyard Malbec 2016	90 Points	Tim Atkin Report 2018
	Signatures of Doolhof Single Vineyard Malbec 2017	91 Points	Tim Atkin Report 2019
	Signatures of Doolhof Single Vineyard Malbec 2017	Regional Winner	Terroir Awards 2019
	Signatures of Doolhof Single Vineyard Malbec 2017	Best wine in region	Quest for the best 2019
	Signatures of Doolhof Single Vineyard Malbec 2018	Double Platinum / Top 100 Winner	National Wine Challenge 2021 / Top 100 SA Wines
		82.6 points	Concours Mondial de Bruxelles 2021
		Bronze 89 points	Decanter World Wine Awards 2021
	Signatures of Doolhof Single Vineyard Malbec 2020	91 points	Decanter World Wine Awards 2022
		90 points	IWSC 2022
		Double Gold	NWC 2022
		90 points, Top 10 Niche	Trophy Wine Awards 2022

