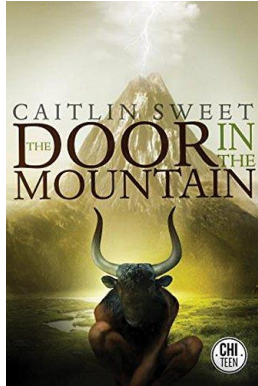


Booklist Review

Books For Youth - Fiction - Fantasy



The Door in the Mountain.

Sweet, Caitlin (author).

Oct. 2014. 280p. ChiZine/ChiTeen, paperback, \$12.99 ([9781771481915](#)); ChiZine/ChiTeen, e-book ([9781771481922](#)). Grades 9-12.

[REVIEW](#). First published October 30, 2014 (Booklist Online).

Ancient Crete is a land where death and beauty coexist. Princess Ariadne, born to King Minos and Queen Pasiphae, hasn't been godmarked like her younger half brother, the beloved Asterion the Bull Prince, and her other siblings, all of whom were given specific gifts that determine their life paths. As Ariadne matures, her jealousy and resentment turn to cruelty and hatred toward Asterion—and the king isn't his fan either, seeing how he is not Asterion's birth father. But it is Chara, a slave girl who is Asterion's protector and faithful companion, who may alter all of their lives forever. Sweet's offering is a new look at the story of the Minotaur and the labyrinth. The writing, while often sumptuous, is occasionally challenging and, at times, a bit confusing. Nevertheless, those who enjoy Greek mythology will eat this up and hunger to return to Crete in the upcoming sequel. — *Jeanne Fredriksen*



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