



Wine & Vintage: Lekkerwijn 2010

Label:	Solms-Delta
Farm location:	Delta Rd, off R45, Franschhoek Valley
Farm owner:	Solms Family Trust, Astor Family Trust and the Wijn de Caab Trust
Wine maker:	Hilko Hegewisch
Viticulturist:	Paul Wallace (consultant)
Grape Varieties:	Shiraz 34%, Mourvèdre 30%, Grenache 27%, Viognier 9%
Style of Wine:	Oak matured dry rosé
Vinification:	The red varieties were lightly pressed to avoid unnecessary coloration of the juice. Pressed and free run juice was fermented together to ensure good body and tannin extraction.
Maturation:	Matured for six months in seasoned French oak barrels, malolactic fermentation in the barrels.
Wine Description:	Complex and full-bodied with intense fruit flavour and an elegant finish. Alluring deep salmon colour.
Analysis:	Alcohol 13% Vol Residual Sugar 4.9 g/l Total Acidity 6.1 g/l pH 3.41
Background:	The name celebrates Solms-Delta's rich history. Lekkerwijn is the name of the farm adjoining Delta, now largely incorporated into it. The first owner, Henri l'Ecrévent, was granted the property in 1690. Locals, unable to pronounce his name, solved the problem by dubbing him Arie Lekkerwijn. He was slain nine years later by the first owner of Delta, Hans Silberbach, who then took flight and was never seen again.
History of farm:	The 320 year old Franschhoek farm has reclaimed its historic role as a wine estate under the direction of Prof. Mark Solms, a world-renowned neuroscientist recently returned to South Africa.
Price:	Recommended retail price – R64

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