



Wine & Vintage:	Vastrap 2010
Label:	Solms-Astor
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:	Chenin Blanc 60%, Semillon 23%, Riesling 17%
Style of Wine:	White Cape blend - fresh, easy-drinking
Vinification:	No skin contact, reductive wine-making style to retain upfront fruit flavours. Classic 'old Cape' cultivars. The aromatic Riesling was added to give a spicy fruity component to this white Cape blend.
Wood Maturation:	Partially in second and third fill barrels and stainless steel tanks. Lees contact for 9 months.
Wine Description:	Easy-drinking fruity style, produced from classic South African cultivars. Semillon ('Groen druif') has been grown in Franschhoek for some 300 years. Chenin blanc has unique characteristics in South Africa.
Analysis:	Alcohol 13% by Vol Residual Sugar 3.6 gm/l Total Acidity 6.2 gm/l pH 3.43
Background:	Label detail; Vastrap (trample) music unites Khoesan trance-dance with Dutch folk music. Played on anything: concertinas, home-made violins, banjos and 'blik-kitaars'. The traditional excuse for a Vastrap party was the trampling of a newly laid cow-dung floor, but the ancestors are said to have preferred the open air.
The Name:	The name of the wine combines Richard Astor's love of music with his dislike of pomposity. Approachable and well-priced, this is a fun wine, with no pretensions, backed by the Solms-Delta reputation for quality.
The Occasion:	Enjoy it on its own, or at any informal occasion, poolside or picnic. Will pair well with fish or pizza.
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 (as ex farm) – R55

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