

Annual report 2016
(English summary)
Snuff tobacco and spices mills
"De Ster" and "De Lelie"
and
Stichting De Kralingse Snuif en Specerijen Compagnie
De Ster en De Lelie



English Summary

This year we can still offer to you a combined annual report of the mills 'De Ster' and 'De Lelie' and for the 'Stichting de Kralingse Snuif en Specerijen Compagnie De Ster en De Lelie'

To our regret this year we had to stop producing and selling snuff tobacco because of restrictions caused by new European regulations regarding the production and selling of tobacco. Furthermore the city of Rotterdam decided to sell the mills, the miller's house and the Karottenfabriek to a commercial organisation specialized in traditional buildings. How the future of the mills will look like is still uncertain.

We were happy to welcome two new volunteers on the mills. Both are learning to become a miller in future.

This year we were again supported by Hail & Cotton International Group and Catz International. They helped us with the raw materials for snuff and spices. In the beginning of the year we introduced a new historical snuff tobacco: Tabac de Paris à la Robillard.

Several with wind power grinded spices are sold to the visitors of the mills. The range of products now consists of cinnamon, meat herbs, cookie spices, white pepper, curry, nutmeg and cloves.

The statistics tells that this year our website was visited 4.923 times. The mills were visited by people from all over the world, in total 1550. The mills were in total open on 96 days open for the public and the windshafts of De Ster made 154000 revolutions and De Lelie 116000.

Besides a website (www.snuifmolens.nl) this year our twitter account (<https://twitter.com/snuifmolens>) and facebook page, <https://www.facebook.com/snuifmolens> had regular updates with news and facts about the mills.

At last we also wish to thank all people, companies and organizations that has supported the mills last year.