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**Al Di Meola**  
**"Speak A Volume: Return To Electric Guitar"**

This expertly-produced live performance focuses on veteran jazz/rock guitarist Di Meola's solo electric guitar pieces, as well as featuring new interpretations of his mentor and tango master Astor Piazzola's works. Captured live in Leverkusen in 2006, these 13 tracks present an intimate and lovely blending of jazz and soft rock. Di Meola's guitar work is stunningly gorgeous, and his band's Latin-influenced sounds are evident. 'Speak A Volume' presents a skillful and highly palatable set of tunes that, while they aren't too risky or experimental in nature, are certainly packed with subtlety, melody, and mood. (Inakustik via MVD Visual)

- Todd Zacharitz