



## DeMorgenzon Maestro White 2015

<b>Winemaker</b>	Carl van der Merwe
<b>Varietal blend</b>	29% Roussanne 23% Chardonnay 22% Chenin Blanc 18% Grenache Blanc 8% Viognier
<b>Appellation</b>	Stellenbosch
<b>Alcohol content</b>	1.4%
<b>TA</b>	5.3 g/l
<b>pH</b>	3.3
<b>RS</b>	2.7g/l

### VINEYARDS

Vertical shoot positioned vineyards allow for optimum ripening and ideal sunlight exposure of fruit. There is a good exposure of slopes to cooling Southern breezes off False Bay. Vineyards are established on slopes with soils of weathered granite and sandstone. Yields are controlled to between 7 and 8 tons per hectare.

### VINTAGE

2015 was an exceptionally early vintage with grapes ripening quickly. Cool evening temperatures ensured the maintenance of natural acids and low pH levels. Fruit was healthy with minimal disease pressure.

### VINIFICATION AND MATURATION

Grape varieties were picked across a range of different ripeness levels, sorted and whole bunch pressed after pre-chilling. Fermentation occurred naturally in small French oak barrels and cement eggs. Total ageing was 10 months from vintage with blending occurring after 8 months. A light filtration and fining took place before bottling.

### TASTING NOTES

The nose shows notes of concentrated orange and yellow stone fruits, with a hint of spice, citrus and blossoms. The palate is full-bodied, textured and nuanced with a lingering after taste.

### AWARDS & ACCOLADES

#### 2015:

93 Points *Neal Martin for Robert Parker's Wine Advocate 2016*  
95 Points *Tim Atkin MW South Africa Report 2016*  
Platter's 4 ½ Stars *Platter Wine Guide 2017*  
92 Points *Cape White Blends Report 2016*

#### 2014:

93 points *Tim Atkin MW South African Report 2015*  
94 Points *Cape White Blends Report 2016*  
92 points *Neal Martin Wine Advocate*  
90+ points *Stephen Tanzer's Wine Cellar*  
Best White Blend under £15 International Trophy *Decanter 2013*

#### 2013:

Platter's 5 stars *Platter's Guide 2015*  
Grand Gold *SAWi 2014*  
93 points *Stephen Tanzer's Wine Cellar*  
92 points *Tim Atkin MW South Africa Report 2014*  
90 points *Neal Martin Wine Advocate*  
90 points *James Molesworth Wine Spectator*

#### 2012:

Platter's 5 stars *Platter's Guide 2014*  
Gold *Decanter World Wine Awards 2013*  
White Wine of the Year *Platter's Guide 2014*  
Best White Blend under £15 Regional Trophy *Decanter World Wine Awards 2013*  
92 points *Neal Martin Wine Advocate*



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