



DEMORGENZON *DMZ Chardonnay 2017*

\$22.99*

* Suggested retail price

	Product code	227587
	Format	12x750ml
	Listing type	Specialty
	Country	South Africa
	Regulated designation	Wine of origin (WO)
	Region	Western Cape
	Varietal(s)	Chardonnay 100%
	Color	White
	Sugar	Dry
	Closure type	Metal screw cap

ABOUT THIS WINERY

Translated, DeMorgenzon means simply “the morning sun”. The vineyards are situated at the top, southern, and eastern slopes of Ribbokkop, and overlook the pinnacle of Kanonkop. In 2003 Wendy and Hylton Appelbaum set about transforming DeMorgenzon it into a modern winery that is conscious of its history and respectful of the terroir. Head Winemaker, Carl Van Der Merwe, employs any method at his disposal to enrich and nurture the vineyards.

TASTING NOTES

This wine shows sweet vanilla and hints of almonds on the nose with a clean tropical fruit finish. Delicate oak flavours support a rich and full fruit flavour in the mouth with layers of white peach, apricot, grapefruit and vanilla.

VITICULTURAL NOTES

The fruit for DMZ Chardonnay is selected from premium trellised vineyards in Stellenbosch at elevations of 100 to 200 meters above sea level, most with the cooling effects of the close proximity to the ocean. Components from weathered granite and sandstone soils in Stellenbosch all contribute to the elegance and minerality, as well as a fresh citrus and yellow apple character.

WINEMAKING NOTES

Each vineyard parcel was fermented separately, using a combination of natural yeast and careful inoculation. Of the grapes, 25% were left as whole bunch and 75% were lightly crushed and the juice was allowed to settle overnight. The wine was aged on its lees in a combination of stainless steel and French oak barrels. Malolactic fermentation was allowed to commence naturally in the barrel fermented portions.



- 91 Points -
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- 90 Points -
James Suckling

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