

WMF 1140916340

WMF Merit Cromargan Protect Cutlery Set Instruction Manual

Model: 1140916340

1. INTRODUCTION

This manual provides essential information for the proper use and care of your WMF Merit Cromargan Protect Cutlery Set. The set is designed for six people and includes 30 pieces crafted from highly durable, scratch-resistant Cromargan Protect stainless steel. Its timeless design and robust construction ensure long-lasting performance and aesthetic appeal.

The WMF Merit cutlery features a pleasant tactile quality due to its thick material and rounded edges. The knives are equipped with an inserted blade made of forged and hardened special blade steel, ensuring optimal sharpness.



Image: The complete WMF Merit Cromargan Protect Cutlery Set, showcasing its elegant design and arrangement for a dining setting.

2. SET CONTENTS AND INITIAL SETUP

2.1. Package Contents

Your WMF Merit Cromargan Protect Cutlery Set (Model 1140916340) includes the following 30 pieces:

- 6 x Table Spoons
- 6 x Table Forks
- 6 x Table Knives
- 6 x Teaspoons
- 6 x Cake Forks



Image: The WMF Merit Cutlery Set presented in its original packaging, showing the arrangement of the pieces.

2.2. Initial Cleaning

Before first use, wash all cutlery pieces thoroughly. This removes any manufacturing residues and ensures hygiene. The cutlery is dishwasher safe, but a gentle hand wash with mild detergent is recommended for the initial cleaning.

3. USAGE GUIDELINES

The WMF Merit cutlery set is designed for daily dining. Each piece is ergonomically shaped for comfortable handling and effective use.

- **Table Knives:** The serrated edge of the table knives provides excellent cutting performance for various

foods.

- **Table Forks:** Designed for main courses, offering a balanced feel.
- **Table Spoons:** Suitable for soups, stews, and other main dishes.
- **Teaspoons:** Ideal for stirring beverages or serving desserts.
- **Cake Forks:** Specifically designed for pastries and desserts.



Image: A detailed view of the five different cutlery pieces included in the WMF Merit set, highlighting their individual forms.

4. MAINTENANCE AND CARE

Proper care ensures the longevity and pristine appearance of your WMF Merit Cromargan Protect cutlery.

4.1. Cromargan Protect Technology

Your cutlery is made from WMF's patented Cromargan Protect stainless steel, which is extremely scratch-resistant. This material undergoes a thermochemical finishing process that hardens the surface, making it significantly more resistant to scratches and signs of wear compared to conventional stainless steel. This ensures the cutlery remains looking new for years, even with intensive daily use.



Image: A close-up illustrating the Cromargan Protect feature on a WMF fork, indicating its enhanced scratch resistance.

4.2. Dishwasher Cleaning

The WMF Merit cutlery is dishwasher safe. Follow these guidelines for optimal results:

- Load cutlery with handles facing down in the basket to ensure thorough cleaning of the eating surfaces.
- Avoid mixing stainless steel cutlery with silver-plated items in the same wash cycle to prevent galvanic corrosion.
- Remove cutlery from the dishwasher promptly after the cycle finishes to prevent water spots. If possible, dry by hand.
- Use a high-quality dishwasher detergent and rinse aid.

4.3. Hand Washing

For best results and to maintain the polished finish, hand washing is always recommended, especially for knives with inserted blades. Use warm water, a mild dish soap, and a soft cloth or sponge. Rinse thoroughly and dry immediately to prevent water spots.

4.4. Storage

Store cutlery in a dry place. A cutlery drawer insert or a dedicated cutlery box can help prevent scratches and keep pieces organized.

5. TROUBLESHOOTING

Most issues with stainless steel cutlery are related to improper cleaning or environmental factors.

- **Water Spots:** These are typically caused by hard water or allowing cutlery to air dry in the dishwasher. To

prevent, dry cutlery immediately after washing. For existing spots, use a stainless steel cleaner or a solution of vinegar and water.

- **Rust-like Stains:** These are often 'flash rust' transferred from other metal items (e.g., rusty pots, pans, or cheap dishwasher baskets) in the dishwasher. This is not rust from the Cromargan Protect cutlery itself. Remove these stains with a stainless steel cleaner or a non-abrasive polish. Ensure other items in the dishwasher are not corroding.
- **Dull Finish:** Over time, mineral deposits from water can dull the finish. Regular cleaning and occasional polishing with a stainless steel polish can restore shine.

6. SPECIFICATIONS

Feature	Detail
Brand	WMF
Model Number	1140916340
Set Name	Merit
Number of Pieces	30 (for 6 people)
Material	Cromargan Protect Stainless Steel
Color	Silver
Finish Type	Polished / Brushed
Special Feature	Extremely Scratch Resistant
Product Care Instructions	Dishwasher Safe
Is Stain Resistant	Yes
Item Weight	1.95 Kilograms
Style	Classic or Traditional

7. WARRANTY INFORMATION

For specific warranty details regarding your WMF Merit Cromargan Protect Cutlery Set, please refer to the warranty card included with your purchase or visit the official WMF website. Warranty terms and conditions may vary by region and retailer.

8. CUSTOMER SUPPORT

Should you have any questions, require assistance, or need to report an issue with your WMF Merit Cromargan Protect Cutlery Set, please contact WMF customer service or the retailer from whom you purchased the product. Contact information can typically be found on the official WMF website or your purchase receipt.

