

**New Software Features**  
**for your**  
**DStv Decoder**

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The following pages describe the new features of the software that will be downloaded into your DStv decoder.

For software downloads, please look out for advertisements explaining how the software will be downloaded into your DStv decoder.

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# INFORMATION PLATE

The Information Plate (i-Plate) functionality is similar to the previous i-plate, but with small differences.

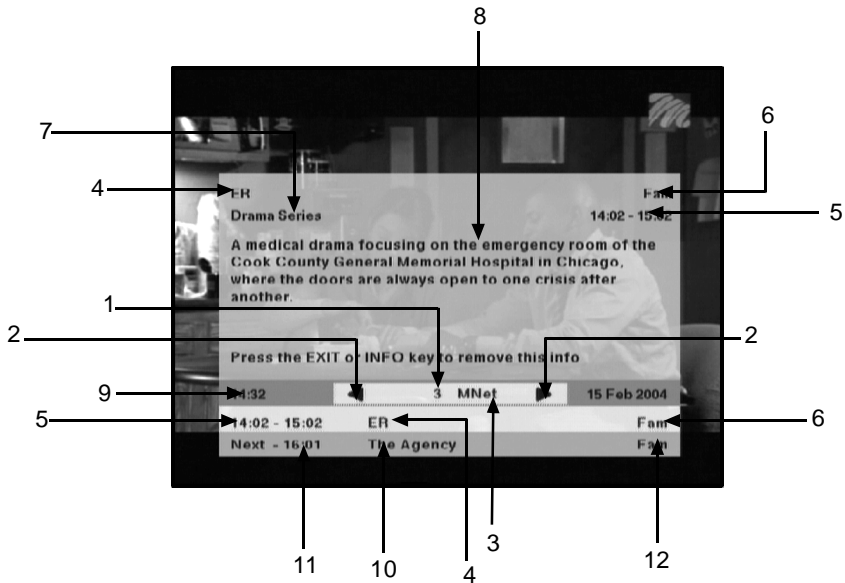
## I-PLATE DETAILS

The Information Plate (i-Plate) is displayed for 10 seconds each time you press **i** change channels, or exit from a menu.

If you require more information about the programme while the i-Plate is displayed, press **i**. Extended information about the programme will be displayed.

To remove the i-Plate, press **EXIT**.

For your convenience the i-Plate display period can be changed in the **Information Display Period** menu.



Refer to the corresponding numbers on the picture on page 2.

1	Channel Number
2	Left and Right Arrows - Use the ◀ and ▶ arrow keys for browsing through the i-Plate of other channels
3	Channel Name
4	Name of the current programme
5	The start and end time of the current programme
6	Parental Guidance Level of the current programme
7	Type of programme showing
8	Additional information about the current programme
9	Clock - Displays the local time
10	Name of the next programme
11	End time of the next programme
12	Parental Guidance Level of the next programme

## I-PLATE FEATURES

With the Information Plate (i-Plate) displayed, you will be able to view the following information:

1. **CLOCK** - displays the local time.
2. **NOW/NEXT** - displays information about the current programme or information about the next programme.
3. **EXTENDED INFORMATION** - presents more information about either the current or next programme.
4. **BROWSING** - allows you to view information about programmes on other channels.
5. **REMINDERS** - allows you to set reminders for programmes which have not started yet.

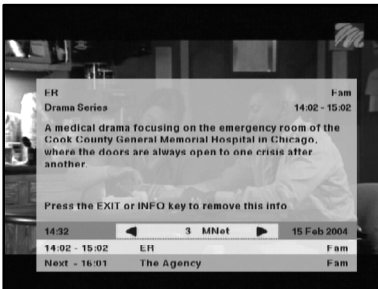
## NOW/ NEXT

### NOW AND NEXT



1. While viewing a programme, press **i**
2. The i-Plate will display information about the current programme and the next programme on the channel being viewed.
3. To remove the i-Plate press **EXIT**.

## EXTENDED INFORMATION



1. Should you require extended information about a programme, press **i** while the i-Plate is displayed.
2. This will show the Extended Event Information screen for the current programme.
3. To obtain information about the next programme coming up on this channel, press the **▼** arrow.
4. You can clear the Extended Event Information screen by pressing **EXIT**. To remove the i-Plate, press **EXIT** a second time.

## BROWSING

The i-Plate allows you to browse through information about programmes on other DStv channels without tuning away from the channel you are viewing. To do this, follow the steps below:

### BROWSING (current and next programmes)



1. Press **i** to display the i-Plate. While the i-Plate is displayed, press the **◀** or **▶** arrow. This will allow you to browse through information about programmes on other channels without tuning to these channels.  
Example: in the adjacent picture, we are tuned to M-Net, but the i-Plate displays information about the programme currently on BBC Prime.
2. You can tune to the 'browsed' channel (BCC Prime in this case) by pressing **OK** on the current programme.

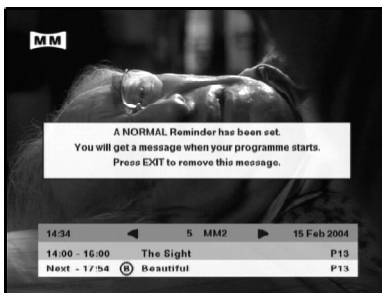
## REMINDERS

- NOTE:
1. Reminders cannot be set for programmes that have already started.
  2. If you are using an Interactive service, reminders will not work.

## BANNER REMINDERS

A banner is displayed on your TV screen once the selected programme starts, irrespective of the channel you are watching (except when you are in an Interactive service). Example: you can view a programme on M-Net and set a reminder for the next programme on the Movie Magic channel. When the programme on Movie Magic starts, a banner will be displayed on-screen to remind you of your selection.

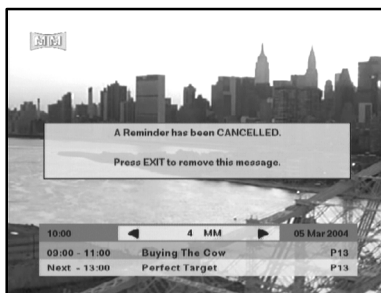
### Setting a Banner Reminder



1. To set a Banner Reminder, press **i** to display the i-Plate.
2. Press the **▼** arrow to highlight the next programme.
3. Press **OK** once to set a Banner Reminder for that programme. A banner will appear on-screen, as well as a small **B** on the i-Plate to confirm that a Banner Reminder has been set. When the selected programme starts, a banner will be displayed on-screen, to remind you that the programme you selected has started.
4. To tune to the selected programme press **OK**. To cancel the reminder and continue watching the current programme, press **EXIT**.

**NB** *If you do not press OK or EXIT within one minute of the reminder banner being displayed, it will time out and your DStv decoder will remain on the currently viewed channel.*

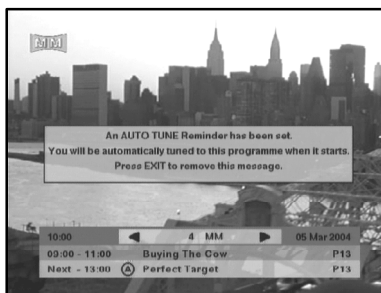
## Cancelling a Banner Reminder



1. To cancel a Banner Reminder, press the **i** button to display the i-Plate.
2. A small **B** will be displayed on the next programme on the i-Plate indicating that a Banner Reminder has been set.
3. Press the **▼** arrow to highlight the next programme.
4. Press **OK** twice to cancel the Banner Reminder. A banner will appear on-screen, indicating that the Reminder has been cancelled.

## AUTOTUNE REMINDERS

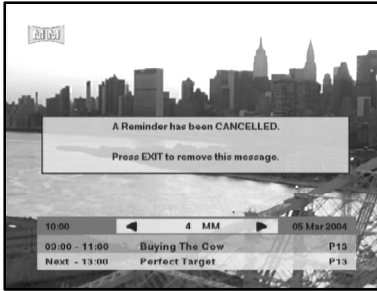
When an Autotune Reminder is set, the DStv decoder will automatically tune to the programme when it starts.



1. To set an Autotune Reminder, press **i** to display the i-Plate.
2. Press the **▼** arrow to highlight the next programme. Press **OK** twice to set an Autotune Reminder for that programme.
3. A banner will appear on-screen, as well as a small **A** on the i-Plate to confirm that an Autotune Reminder has been set.
4. When the selected programme starts, the DStv decoder will automatically tune to the selected programme.

**NB** *When the programme for which you set an Autotune reminder starts, a banner will be displayed on screen notifying you that the DStv decoder will tune to that programme in 5 seconds.*

## Cancelling an Autotune Reminder



1. To cancel an Autotune Reminder, press the **i** button to display the i-Plate.
2. A small **A** will be displayed on the next programme on the i-Plate indicating that an Autotune Reminder has been set.
3. Press the **▼** arrow to highlight the next programme.
4. Press **OK** to cancel the Autotune Reminder for that programme. A banner will appear on-screen, indicating that the reminder has been cancelled.

# DStv touch

The **DStv touch menu** displays a list of all the interactive services available on your DStv decoder.



1. To display the DStv touch menu, press **OK** during normal viewing. A menu is displayed on the left hand side of your screen over the picture. ***(Please ensure that there are no other on-screen features (eg. the i-plate etc.) displayed when launching the DStv touch menu.)***
2. Highlight the interactive service you wish to use by pressing the ▼ or ▲ arrows on your remote control.
3. Press **OK** to access the interactive service you have highlighted.

# CHANNEL GRID

The Channel Grid displays a list of all available channels.

15/18	DStv				17 Feb 2004
1	GUIDE	24 S54	42 Reall	56 Bloom	
2	MOSA1	25 S55	45 Games	57 Wealth	
3	MNet	26 S56	46 SABC1	58 Parl	
4	MM	27 S37	47 SABC2	59 New24	
5	MM2	33 ESPN	48 SABC3	65 Diac	
6	ACT	34 TELTR	49 eTV	66 NaGeo	
8	Hall	35 KYKN	50 BBC	67 AnimP	
9	TCM	36 Serie	51 CNN	68 HIST	
20	SZone	37 Futur	52 Sky	70 FOOD	
21	S81	38 Self	53 SABC4	71 Travl	
22	S32	40 PRIME	54 CNBC	72 FTV	
23	S53	41 BonM	55 SumTV	73 Ch 73	
15:00 - 17:00	The Gathering Storm				P13
Next - 19:00	No Mercy				16

15/16	MM	17 Feb 2004
The Gathering Storm P13		
Factual Drama 15:00 - 17:00		
A fact-based, intimate look at the marriage of Winston and Clementine Churchill during his troubled political career in the years before World War II. Albert Finney, Vanessa Redgrave. (2002)		
Press EXIT to remove		
15:00 - 17:00	The Gathering Storm P13	
Next - 19:00	No Mercy 16	

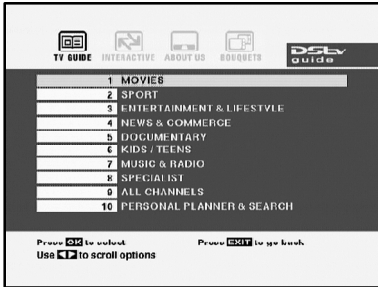
1. To display the Channel Grid, press any of the arrow buttons during normal viewing. The grid is displayed over the picture of the channel you are viewing. **(Please ensure that there are no other on-screen features (eg. the i-plate etc.) in operation when launching the Channel Grid.)**
2. Use the arrow buttons to move the highlight on the grid. As you move the highlight, programming information on the i-Plate will update.
3. Press the **i** button to view extended information about the current or next programme of the channel you have highlighted. See second picture on the left.
4. Reminders can also be set whilst in the Channel Grid.
5. To set reminders, highlight a channel and press **i**. Thereafter follow the instructions detailed in the **REMINDERS** section of this manual.

# DStv Guide

On Channel 1 you will find the DStv Guide. It provides all the information you need about DStv.

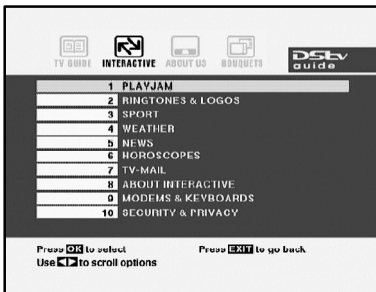
The DStv Guide is broken up into the following sections:

## TV Guide



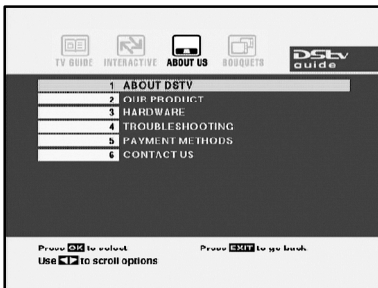
This section contains all programming details across all DStv channels. Extra features include searches for specific types of programming and the ability to set

## Interactive



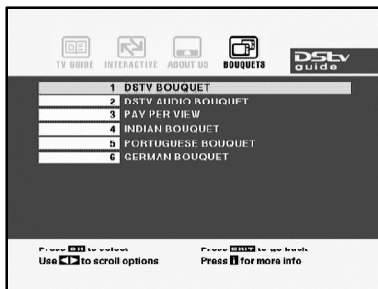
This section tells you about DStv Interactive. You can also go directly to an Interactive service from this menu.

## About Us



Here you will find information on the useful features that the DStv product offers. It also contains troubleshooting, contact information and more...

## Bouquets



This section contains programme information of channels on other bouquets, including bouquets that require separate subscriptions.

There you have it.....

These are the new features you automatically get with the latest software.  
Should you have any additional queries, questions or comments, please do not  
hesitate to contact us.  
(Refer to contact numbers on page 1.)

We thank you for your continued support and wish you many hours of entertainment!!!

