

CEO of Napa winery Domaine Carneros to step back from the role

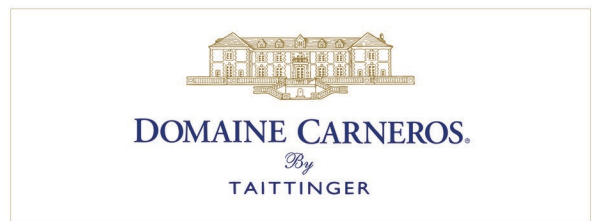
Eileen Crane, CEO and head winemaker at Domaine Carneros, announced plans Wednesday to step down from her CEO post this summer.

The winery is located entirely within the Carneros winegrowing between Napa and Sonoma counties.

The winery stated that Crane plans to continue as lead sparkling winemaker through 2020 harvest and cuvée blending. Eventually, the role of sparkling winemaker will be taken over by Zak Miller, a member of the winemaking team there for about a decade, working with pinot noir Winemaker TJ Evans.

Crane stated, “My dream from the age of eight was to make delicious sparkling wine. From a little girl in New Jersey through a path of many adventures with twists and turns, eventually I found the career that has been more than a dream come true. And it has been a great pleasure to work with the Taittinger family for 33 years.”

The six estate vineyards total approximately 400 acres with 125 acres planted in chardonnay, 225 acres planted to pinot noir, with the remaining acres currently in development. The winery focuses on making ultra-premium Carneros sparkling wines largely estate grown and limited production pinot noirs.



*Eileen Crane, CEO and head winemaker at
Domaine Carneros*