2014
Vintage Report





2014 was in many ways a strange season...Indeed, we experienced one of the strongest earthquakes to ever strike our region, which left us all in a bit of a shock. Our Visitor Center and winemaking facilities survived with minor damage and we count ourselves very lucky.

In the vineyard, "early" was the key word of the season, from bud break to veraison to harvest. This was mainly due to the drought conditions that also contributed to considerably lower the yields. However, well-timed rains at the beginning of the year combined with perfect Summer weather ensured the exceptional quality of the grapes. The vines got enough moisture to ensure a nice, even bud break and subsequently grow a full size canopy. The clusters ended up having smaller berries, which enhanced the fruit concentration and promise a great quality vintage.

2014 is definitely a vintage to remember! Eileen Crane Domaine Carneros CEO / Founding Winemaker

