

## PRESS RELEASE

## PIERRE HAENEN NEW GENERAL MANAGER AT CHÂTEAU NEERCANNE

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On 2 September 2019 Pierre Haenen will start as General Manager at Château Neercanne.

Currently, **Pierre Haenen (28)** works as Manager Bistrot de Liège at Château St. Gerlach. Pierre will succeed Peter Harkema, who retires after 35 years as General Manager at Château Neercanne.

"Château Neercanne breathes beauty and history and from a gastronomic standpoint this house is famous for its high-end craftsmanship and hospitality. Being born and raised in the province of Limburg it is a great honour and challenge to take on this new role and to surprise our guests with culinary delights and create new memories together with my colleagues." – says Pierre.

Since 2015 Pierre held multiple positions at Oostwegel Collection. Starting at Château St. Gerlach as a waiter, he progressed into a Reservations Employee, Guest Relations Coordinator and, since December 2017, Manager of Bistrot de Liège.

"It is great to have Pierre take the role of General Manager at Château Neercanne. It is a prime example how our 'Talent Factory' truly facilitates career path planning for our associates. His ambition, creativity, commercial instinct and relationship building qualities make Pierre the right person for the job. I look forward to working with him and building on Neercanne and Oostwegel Collection's future". – says Camille Oostwegel jr.

## **About Château Neercanne**

The gastronomic Restaurant Château Neercanne, is complemented by the more informal lunch restaurant l'Auberge, awarded a Michelin Bib Gourmand since 2012. Renowned as the only terraced castle in The Netherlands, located in Maastricht, Château Neercanne straddles the Belgian/Dutch borders and commands panoramic views across the magnificent Jeker Valley. The 17th-century castle is divided over four levels, all of which are UNESCO World Heritage Sites. The Château houses a network of Marl Caves, offering a unique venue for large parties and celebratory gatherings. Château Neercanne has been part of Oostwegel Collection since 1984, a Limburgian family business dedicated to gracious hospitality, artisanal cuisine and historically authentic properties. Château Neercanne is a member of Relais & Châteaux. For more information: www.neercanne.nl



