



# Leoneess Cellars

## Introduction

Located in the rolling hills of Temecula Valley Wine Country in southern California, Leoneess Cellars offers a warm and bucolic setting where wine lovers can come and enjoy beautiful views, spectacular wines, and wonderful times with family and friends. Leoneess Cellars is not only a popular destination for those looking to spend a relaxing day outdoors, but it has also become a hotspot for weddings, bachelorette parties, and weekend getaways.

To elevate the guest experience to the next level, management undertook a massive renovation. They sought out the services of Tekkease LLC to integrate and automate all systems in the winery including lighting, water features, and audio, and enable staff to easily control everything from an intuitive custom user interface.





## Technology

With the facility renovation already in progress, Rebaux Steyn, General Manager and Marina Souther, Assistant Project Manager at Leoness Cellars, knew it was the perfect time to upgrade their technology system as well. They worked closely with Tekkease LLC co-founders Mike Zarb and Erik Vidrio to find a robust, yet easy to use solution that would seamlessly integrate all systems and control functions throughout the facility and thereby simplify day-to-day operations. Both Mike and Erik agreed that Crestron would clearly be the optimal fit for the project.

**“We knew that a Crestron control system was going to be the perfect solution to power the entire facility.”**

Mike Zarb  
Co-Founder  
Tekkease LLC

“It was extremely important for us to find a platform that we could easily build on as the winery continued to grow and required additional technology.”  
says Mike Zarb.

Lighting control was a key element of the project. The owners were adamant about enabling staff to control both indoor and outdoor lighting from anywhere using Crestron touch screens and iPad® tablets. The goal was to have a variety of lighting scenes for different times of the day, thereby eliminating the need for them to adjust lights manually. Employing a Crestron CP3 control system and Crestron lighting control solutions, Mike and Erik designed a system that featured automated time-based presets for each day of the week.



## Results

The Crestron solution has enabled staff to ensure a luxurious ambiance throughout the winery and provide each guest with a sumptuous experience, while reducing energy costs at the same time. It has eliminated the hassle of managing lighting throughout the day and enabled management to focus entirely on providing exceptional service for its members and guests. The Crestron solution has been so successful that management is planning to expand it into the winery's event space in the near future.

"Crestron has helped us streamline our day-to-day business operations by providing our winery and restaurant staff with direct and infinite control of lighting, water features, music, and more from an easy-to-use user interface," said Steyn.

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