

Starbucks-Owned Chain to Sell Burgers, Beer and Wine

NEW YORK (AP) — Starbucks is dipping its toe into the burger business, with plans to open a location of its La Boulange chain that caters to the dinner crowd.

A spokeswoman for Starbucks, Linda Mills, said the Los Angeles restaurant is scheduled to open June 11 and will be open until 10 p.m.

Starbucks had purchased the La Boulange chain of bakery-cafes in 2012. The cafes are based in San Francisco Bay Area and primarily focus on breakfast and lunch with soups, salads and sandwiches, along with baked goods.

The test restaurant adds build-your-own burgers to La Boulange's formula, and will serve beer, wine and cocktails.

The new location will be the first outside of the San Francisco area and will have more of a "modern farmhouse" feel to it, Mill said.

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