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Welcome to Episode 1936 Stevie Kim moderates Clubhouse's Ambassadors' Corner – In this episode, Alan Kwok interviews Luca Balbiano. These sessions are recorded from Clubhouse and replayed here on the Italian Wine Podcast! Today, we focus on Langhe Freisa. In this interview, Alan goes in depth about the grape Freisa, the region and wine Freisa di Cheiri. They also discuss the historical vineyard of the Savoy Queen Cristina of France (Vigna della Regina), located on a beautiful hill which overlooks the city of Turin, this is one of the last and oldest urban vineyards in the world.

Listen in on this series as Italian Wine Ambassadors all over the world chat with Stevie and their chosen wine producer. Which producer would you interview if you had your pick?

Co-Moderator – Alan Kwok

Alan fell in love with Italian wine during his PhD Chemistry studies in Melbourne when he discovered an old bottle of Barbaresco wine in a bottle shop. In 2014, he established DECO Wines Limited, a boutique wine importing company with a main focus on Italian wines in Hong Kong. Alan has been climbing up the Vinitally International Academy ladder since 2020, it was an unforgettable journey from Maestro to Ambassador and to Expert. He is currently the Master of the Knights of Alba (Cavalieri del Tartufo e dei Vini di Alba) Hong Kong Delegation.

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Guest Bio – Luca Balbiano

Luca is the third generation owner of Cantine Balbiano. Like his father Francesco, he has the role of the President of Consortium of DOC Freisa di Chieri and Collina Torinese. He is also the founder and honorary president of a worldwide association called Urban Vineyard Association.

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