



International Association of Rare & Old Wines

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A curated selection of event coverage and expert interviews charting our journey to bring the culture of rare and old wine — and the experts who safeguard it — to Hong Kong and Asia.

EVENT COVERAGE

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INAUGURAL HONG KONG GALA

The International Association of Rare & Old Wines Debuts in Hong Kong

On 28 August 2025 the Association—authority behind 100+ cultural salons across France, the UK and the US—held its first Hong Kong tasting gala, hosted by exclusive HK partner The Golden Dew (La Goutte d'Or). Led by president Olivier de Cayron, the evening poured legendary bottles including Dom Pérignon 1959, René Engel Échézeaux 1990 and DRC Romanée-Saint-Vivant 2000, marking Asia's rising place on the global wine map.

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EXPERT INTERVIEWS & FEATURES

信報 LIFESTYLE JOURNAL

INTERVIEW · ASSOCIATION VICE-PRESIDENT

Ding Ting and the Story of Old-Vintage Wine: Tasting the Flavour of Time

Wine & spirits authority Ding Ting—vice-president of the Association and co-founder of authentication firm Cabinet de Clouet & Associés—on a career spanning appraisal, valuation, auction and tasting. She describes unforgettable bottles (a 1937 Romanée-Conti, a 1978 Henri Mayer Cros Parantoux) and previews the rare & old-wine collecting courses she will run in Hong Kong with La Goutte d'Or.

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MADAME FIGARO HONG KONG

FEATURE · THE ART OF AGEING

Why Aged Wine Captivates: The Day a Bottle Is Opened Is Its Most Beautiful—and Its Last

Association vice-president Ding Ting unpacks the romance and the science of cellaring: how tertiary aromas of truffle, dried flowers and aged pu-erh emerge over decades, why the finest old cellars are "untouched with ugly labels," and the sobering reality that up to 95% of Henri Mayer bottles in circulation may be counterfeit—making authentication essential.

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THE HERITAGE BEHIND IT ALL

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BACKGROUND · BURGUNDY CLASSIFICATION

The Little-Known 1855 Wine Classification of Burgundy

The scholarly foundation of the Association's story. In 1855 Dr. Jules Lavalley—Olivier de Cayron's great-great-uncle—published his history, statistics and famous terroir map of the Côte d'Or, classifying Burgundy's vineyards and laying the groundwork for today's AOC appellation system and the Grand Cru / Premier Cru hierarchy still used today.

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