ALBERTO BALLARIN
LANGHE ROSSO 'CINO'

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Their vineyards are mainly located in two of the great Barolo villages, La Morra & Monforte d'Alba in the Piedmont of Italy, including holdings in the La Morra vineyards of Bussia and Bricco Rocca. They are 230 meters above sea level with southern exposure. The vines have an average age of 20-40 years. The soil is made up of limestone & blue marlstone. Traditional vinification in temperature controlled tanks. Aged for 6 months in stainless steel. Aged in bottle for a further 6 months.

Since 1928, the Viberti family has been working the land and making wine at their estate *Cascina Ballarin* in La Morra, Piedmont. It covers some 20 acres. The estate is currently managed by two brothers, Giorgio and Giovanni Viberti, who oversee vineyards of indigenous varieties including Nebbiolo, Barbera, Dolcetto and Chardonnay. This is a small family-run winery, with each family member taking care of different tasks: from the work in the vineyards to the production of the grapes to the winemaking process. They work in the vineyard and in the cellar with dedication, passion and in the pursuit of expressing the Piemonte terroir to the fullest. The family name is Viberti, but their local nickname has always been 'Ballarin' or dancers. While the farm has always produced grapes, it was only 25 years ago that estate-bottled wine became the primary focus.

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Tasting Note:

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Shelf Talker:

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