

# Coleraine

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**Gary Walsh | The Wine Front**

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*I tasted this over two days, and gee, it really moved about. Started off with a pop of fragrance and more rugged tannin, then it eased itself back into a more typical Coleraine profile, though for sure it's a different style in some respects with its unusually high Cabernet Sauvignon component of 84%, the remainder being 13% Merlot and 3% Cabernet Franc. Black fruit, some red, pencil lead, a little aniseed and floral perfume, nori, baking spice, pimento, slight vanilla. Medium-bodied, a fair bit of chew, dark fruit and dark chocolate, porcini mushroom umami, grainy tannin, concentrated and chewy, earthy and ferrous, with a bright line of very 'mineral' acidity on a long finish. Excellent, albeit a more Cabernet focussed expression of Coleraine, which marks it out as being different, and on that point such a worthy of addition to the cellar, though of course the wine is outstanding irrespective of that*

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**Mike Bennie | The Wine Front**

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*Whoa, so fresh, such beautiful perfume, floral, lavender and violets, touches of cassis, some woody spices, so lifted and frisky. Three days in mind you. White pepper, plum, faint choc-mint in there too. Scents for days. So fine, so silky, chocolate, cassis strongly in the palate, blueberry, grunt of dried herbs and some truffle notes. Concentrated but so fresh in the same breath. Tannins all graphite and slate, wonderfully minerally. Beautiful.*