



# Collina della vedova®

BARBERA D'ASTI  
DENOMINAZIONE DI ORIGINE CONTROLLATA  
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## What wine guides say

**1998:** The more austere Collina della Vedova '98 is dark in appearance and has an elegant blackcurrant, cherry and cocoa powder nose layered over characteristic earthy tones. The attack on the palate is powerful and the progression shows notable structure. The mint and fruit finish is long and vigorous. (*Vini d'Italia del Gambero Rosso*)

**1997:** Its intense garnet is firm almost to the edge of the glass while the nose hints at bilberry, cherry and green leaves over subtle hints of rhubarb and pepper. The soft, concentrated palate is backed up by delicate tannins and there are notes of liquorice and cocoa in the lingering finish. (*Vini d'Italia del Gambero Rosso*)

**1996:** Cedary nose and ripe palate. (Lynch, *Decanter*)

**1995:** Firm texture. The deep colour indicates a long life. Elegant and full-bodied. (*Vini d'Italia del Gambero Rosso*)

**1994:** An extraordinarily elegant wine. (*Vini d'Italia del Gambero Rosso*)

**1993:** A red wine of great fineness and balance, produced by a genuine Barbera-lover like Alfiero Boffa. Its colour proves good concentration, the scents of macerated black cherries combine with extremely pleasant vanilla notes, in the mouth the wine is fluid and satisfying, distributing all sensations of taste in the best way. (*Vini d'Italia del Gambero Rosso*)

**1991:** Typical nose, smooth and full-bodied, firm texture. (*Vini d'Italia del Gambero Rosso*)

**1990:** As for the 1990 Collina della Vedova, it exhibits a deeper color, and a more enticing bouquet of ripe fruit, floral scents, and new oak notes from aging in barrel. It also tastes riper, with sweeter fruit, and a longer, riper finish. It is a persuasive example of a rich, elegant wine for drinking now and over the next several years. (*Parker's Wine Buyer's Guide*)

**1989:** It shows an intense, wide nose, with scents of vanilla, leather and spices, and a good concentration in the mouth, where plums prevail in a rather long finish. (*Vini d'Italia del Gambero Rosso*)

**1987:** Sumptuous elegance. (*Vini d'Italia del Gambero Rosso*)