

CANALICCHIO DI SOPRA®

BRUNELLO DI MONTALCINO
RISERVA

2013

Decanter

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Francesco Ripaccioli only has 11 harvests under his belt but calls 2013 the most beautiful one so far. This is also the first year in which the estate's Riserva comes exclusively from the Montosoli cru. Planted in 1995, these are the oldest vines in their stable. Even more thrilling than the winery's 2012, the 2013 Riserva is a model of precision, exquisite balance and razor-sharp linearity. Dense without being heavy, this is buoyed by vivacious acidity and wrapped in commanding yet fine-grained tannins. It unfolds slowly, revealing notes of mineral, sweet dark earth, rosehip, violet and sage blossom - but it promises even more in the years ahead.

- Michaela Morris