

CANALICCHIO DI SOPRA®

BRUNELLO DI MONTALCINO
2018

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ENOLOGIQUE

96/100



Canalicchio is northeast of Montalcino, criss-crossed by man-made canals, and is known for its clay soils and cooler aspects. Canalicchio di Sopra blends the grapes from around its winery with those from estate vineyards in Montosoli, the other hill northeast of Montalcino, which is drier with warmer western aspects and stonier soils. The blend produces a vibrant nose with notes of fresh bing cherry, and earthy smatterings of underbrush and rust. The cherry fruit is lifted by 2018's effusive acidity and after it balloons on to the front palate is followed by a meaty savouriness. Tactile ridges of tannin run from mid-palate back, overlaid with a bitterness that balances out the ebullience of the entry.

- Sarah Heller MW -