

Banditella Rosso di Montalcino 2018



The 2018 Banditella comes across more like a baby Brunello than a Rosso di Montalcino, with its dark, intense and spicy bouquet that mixes black cherries with cedar, sage and flowery undergrowth. It's silky and pliant in texture yet energetic, with a rush of wild berry fruits complicated by zesty acids and minerals as a coating of round tannins add a tactile grip under an air of lavender and violets. While structured and youthfully dry, there's no harm in checking-in after a short decanting or some time left open in bottle. This is some serious juice. The Banditella spends a year in a combination of barrique and tonneaux and emerges remarkably balanced and ready to please.– Eric Guido January 2021

