ROLLING OUT THE BRUNELLOS: WEEKLY TASTING REPORT We have been wrapping up our tastings of 2018 Brunellos this week in the Hong Kong office, and they're shaping up to be more balanced and drinkable compared with the chewy and tannic 2017s while not as structured or powerful as the great 2015s and 2016s. But there are some exceptions that will be discussed in our coming 2018 Brunello report. Our two highest-scoring Brunellos this week are Ciacci Piccolomini d'Aragona's Pianrosso 2018 and Altesino's Montosoli 2018 . The northern hill of Montosoli has excelled in 2018. Altesino's Montosoli 2018 is on par with the great 2015 and 2016 vintages, and it displays fantastic aromatic complexity of fresh and dried fruit and savory iodine character, with finely knit tannins. On the opposite, southeastern slope of Montalcino, fruit from the Pianrosso vineyard