

Matchmaker: Mushrooms of the Pacific Northwest

Below are written descriptions and images of fruiting bodies, mushrooms, of the fungal species in this ectomycorrhizal association. The information is from the web version of the Matchmaker: Mushrooms of the Pacific Northwest (MMPNW) created by the Canadian Forest Service and based on the Windows MMPNW version 1.3 by Ian and Eli Gibson.

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LATIN NAME(S) *Cortinarius fulvescens* Fr. sensu Favre

NOTES Subgenus *Telamonia*; features include hygrophanous sharply umbonate coppery red-brown cap which dries ochre, creamy buff then yellow brown gills, and long thin whitish to pinkish brown stem; Breitenbach(5) gives *C. fulvescens* Fr. sensu Favre, Moser, Moen-Loc. as a synonym of *C. fasciatus* Fr. sensu Arnold non Bresadola; found in WA (Phillips) but rare

CAP 1-3(4)cm, domed, with blunt or pointed boss, beautiful dark red-brown, dry lighter copper-reddish-brown, (Moser), 1-3cm, conical with pointed umbo; hygrophanous, coppery red-brown when wet, drying ochre; smooth, striate near the margin, (Phillips)

FLESH pallid, brownish (Phillips)

GILLS rust-yellow-brown, (Moser), adnexed; creamy buff then yellowy brown, (Phillips)

STEM 4-9cm x 0.15-0.4cm, tapering; pinkish brown, base whitish; sometimes with distinct pinkish-brown veil traces, (Moser), 3-9cm x 0.2-0.5cm, very long and thin, equal; off-white; longitudinally fibrous, cortina copious, (Phillips)

VEIL sometimes distinct pinkish-brown veil traces on stem (Moser), copious cortina (Phillips)

ODOR distinct, possibly a touch of iodine (Phillips)

TASTE slight (Phillips)

EDIBILITY not edible (Phillips)

HABITAT in mossy coniferous (fir) woods at high elevations, (Phillips), subalpine, mossy coniferous woods, high moors etc. (Moser for Europe)

SPORE DEPOSIT rusty brown (Phillips)

MICROSCOPIC spores 9-11.3(13) x 5.5-6.5 microns, long-elliptic, subcylindric, (Moser), spores 8.5-11 x 4.5-6.5 microns, elliptic, rough (Phillips), no pleurocystidia, marginal cells 20-33 x 7-9.5 microns, cylindric to clavate, (Breitenbach)

NAME ORIGIN means 'becoming fulvous'

SOURCES Moser(1), Phillips*, Breitenbach(5)*(as *C. fasciatus* Fr. sensu Arnold non Bres.)

FAMILY Tricholomataceae of Order Agaricales