

Matchmaker: Mushrooms of the Pacific Northwest

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LATIN NAME(S) *Daedaleopsis confragosa* (Fr.) Schroeter

ENGLISH NAME(S) thin-walled maze polypore, blushing bracket

NOTES as a member of Polyporaceae not normally grouped with gilled mushrooms, but pores often gill-like in appearance; usually annual (but persist for several years), shelflike or sometimes bracketlike, leathery or corky when fresh, rigid when dry, white to tan or brown pores usually elongated and mazelike with relatively thin walls, but sometimes circular or forming gill-like or tooth-like structures, the pores sometimes bruising pinkish or reddish, growth on conifers, and white spore deposit; found as least BC, WA

CAP (3)5-15(22)cm, fan-shaped to semicircular in outline, broadly convex to plane, margin thin, acute; grayish-brown to reddish-brown to brown to grayish, sometimes blackish in old age; dry, smooth or slightly hairy, usually zoned or ridged concentrically, often radially wrinkled or bumpy when old

FLESH tough; white to pinkish or brownish

GILLS pores 0.5-1.5mm in diameter, usually elongated and mazelike with relatively thin walls, but sometimes circular and at other times forming gills or becoming toothlike when old; white to tan or brown, sometimes bruising pinkish or reddish, tubes up to 1.5cm long

STEM absent

ODOR none

EDIBILITY no

HABITAT solitary or in groups on dead hardwoods, especially willow, rarely conifers, or on wounds in living trees

SPORE DEPOSIT white

MICROSCOPIC spores 7-11 x 2-3 microns, cylindric, slightly curved, smooth, hyphal structure trimitic, clamps, no cystidia

NAME ORIGIN means 'rough'

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FAMILY Polyporaceae of Order Polyporales



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