

## 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)** *Limacella glioderma* (Fr.) Maire

**ENGLISH NAME(S)** fox-colored slime-veiled *Limacella*

**NOTES** distinguished from other *Limacellas* by viscid reddish-brown cap, evanescent veil, and dry fragile stem; other features include pink flesh, close gills that are whitish or tinged cap color, whitish or pallid stem above ring with cap-colored scales, below ring with patches and/or fibrils, strongly farinaceous odor and taste, white spore deposit, and round smooth inamyloid spores; Gminder 1994 includes this species with *Limacella delicata* (Fr.) Earle under the latter name (as referred to in Breitenbach); Breitenbach & Kranzlin give distribution as North America, Europe, and Asia

**CAP** 3-8cm, convex to flat or broadly umbonate; bright to dull brick-red, reddish-brown, cinnamon, chestnut brown or at times orange-brown, when young, fading to pale reddish brown or pinkish tan; almost dry to viscid when moist (occasionally glutinous), granulose under a lens, breaking up into crustose patches or fibrillose scales when old, cuticle may pull away from margin, revealing pinkish flesh beneath

**FLESH** thin; tinged pinkish

**GILLS** adnexed or notched, or when old becoming free, close; whitish or tinged cap color

**STEM** 4-12cm x 0.5-1(1.5)cm, often rather slender and fragile, equal or slightly thicker at either end, dry overall or viscid when gluten from cap has dropped on it, whitish or pallid above the ring, with cap-colored scales, patches and /or fibrils below

**VEIL** ring whitish, fibrillose, forming a slight superior ring or ragged zone or disappearing, universal veil evanescent, usually not visible and not forming a volva, universal veil slimy

**ODOR** strongly farinaceous

**TASTE** strongly farinaceous

**EDIBILITY** unknown

**HABITAT** solitary, scattered or in groups on ground in woods, summer and fall

**SPORE DEPOSIT** white



Joy Spurr



Ben Woo



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**MICROSCOPIC** spores 3-5 x 3-5 microns, round, smooth, inamyloid, gill tissue divergent, (Arora), spores 3.8-4.8 x 3.5-4.7 microns, round, smooth, some dextrinoid; basidia 4-spored, 20-27 x 6 microns, slenderly clavate, with basal clamps; pleurocystidia and cheilocystidia not seen; cap cuticle in the center of cap "an ixotrichoderm composed of erect, cylindric, in part flexuous hyphal ends 20-50 x 3-6 microns", colorless, subcutis brown-pigmented, all strongly gelatinized, septa with indistinct clamps, (Breitenbach)

**NAME ORIGIN** means "with glutinous skin"

**SOURCES** Arora\*, Lincoff(2)\*, Bessette(2)\*, Schalkwijk-Barendsen\*, Kibby\*, Courtecuisse\*, Breitenbach(4)\*

**FAMILY** Pluteaceae of Order Agaricales



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