

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) *Pleurotus dryinus* (Pers. ex Fr.) Kummer;
Pleurotus corticatus (Fr.) Quelet; *Lentodiopsis dryina* (Pers.:Fr.)
Kreisel

ENGLISH NAME(S) veiled oyster mushroom

NOTES features include whitish or grayish dry cap with soft fibrils or scales, decurrent close whitish gills that form grooves on stem, off-center whitish dry stem, growth on living hardwoods; fairly common, found at least North America and Europe, reported from WA (Murrill), not uncommon on foray lists from BC

CAP 4-20cm, convex sometimes becoming flat or slightly depressed when old, roundish but irregular, often humped, margin at first inrolled; with soft grayish fibrils or scales, but sometimes whitish or when old yellowish; dry

FLESH very thick, firm; white

GILLS decurrent, fairly close, often veined or forking on the stem, narrow; white but sometimes discoloring yellowish when old; edges may be serrate

STEM 3-10cm x 1-3cm, usually off-center but sometimes central, usually horizontal, rather tough, often short, equal or tapered downward, solid, whitish, but becoming yellowish when bruised or with age

VEIL membranous or finely woolly, white to grayish, forming a slight ring on stem or leaving remnants on cap margin or disappearing entirely

ODOR mild to pungent or fragrant

TASTE pleasant

EDIBILITY yes, but rather tough

HABITAT solitary or in small groups on hardwoods, usually living

SPORE DEPOSIT white

MICROSCOPIC spores 9-12(17) x 3.5-5 microns, elliptic, smooth, inamyloid, (Arora), basidiospores 9.8-13.9 x 3.8-4.2 microns, cylindrical to cylindrical-elliptic, smooth, colorless, with droplets, asexual spores 15-25 x 15-20 microns, nearly round, light yellow to light brown, with droplets; basidia 4-spored, 35-100 x 6-8 microns, slenderly clavate, with basal clamp; pleurocystidia and cheilocystidia not seen; clamps mentioned for cap cuticle and basidia, (Breitenbach)

NAME ORIGIN means "of oaks, of wood"



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FAMILY Pleurotaceae of Order Agaricales



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