

## 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)** *Tapinella panuoides* (Batsch) E.-J. Gilbert; *Paxillus panuoides* Fries

**ENGLISH NAME(S)** fan pax, stalkless Paxillus

**NOTES** features include medium size, petal-shaped to mussel- or fan-shaped, often lobed, non-viscid cap that is yellowish brown to olive yellow and is downy at first becoming smooth, whitish to ochraceous flesh, yellowish to pinkish-buff gills radiating from the base of the cap and often forked or connected by cross veins, absent or minimal stem, growth on wood, and yellowish-buff to brown or dingy ochraceous spore deposit

**CAP** 1.5-7(10)cm, petal-shaped to mussel- or fan-shaped, margin often lobed and at first incurved; buff to dingy yellowish, yellow-brown, olive-yellow, or dingy ochre; minutely hairy or downy becoming smooth, not viscid

**FLESH** thin, soft; whitish to ochraceous

**GILLS** radiating from base of cap, close, often crimped and forked or connected by cross veins, especially toward base; pale or dingy yellowish to ochre or pinkish-buff

**STEM** absent or present only as a small narrowed lateral base

**VEIL** absent

**EDIBILITY** unknown

**HABITAT** solitary or in groups or clumps on coniferous logs, stumps, debris, fallen timbers, and humus rich in lignin

**SPORE DEPOSIT** yellowish-buff to brown or dingy ochraceous, (Arora), light brown (Breitenbach)

**MICROSCOPIC** spores 4-6 x 3-4 microns, elliptic, smooth, many dextrinoid, (Arora), spores 4.5-6(6.5) x 3-3.5(4.5) microns, oval, smooth, with droplets; basidia 4-spored, 26-45 x 5.5-8.5 microns, clavate, with basal clamp; cystidia none, but clavate to fusiform marginal cells present; clamps mentioned for basidia and cap cuticle, (Breitenbach)

**NAME ORIGIN** means "similar to Panus"

**SIMILAR** *Crepidotus* or *Phyllotopsis* but gills usually forked or veined; fruiting bodies of similar shape often have differently colored spore deposit (*Panus*, *Pleurotus*, *Lentinellus*, *Hohenbuehelia*)

**SOURCES** Arora\* (as *Paxillus*), Lincoff(2)\* (as *Paxillus*), Courtecuisse\* (as *Paxillus*), Bessette(2)\* (as *Paxillus*), Barron\* (as *Paxillus*), Breitenbach(3)\* (as *Paxillus*)

**FAMILY** Paxillaceae of Order Boletales