

Lepiota fuscosquamea



Lepiota fuscosquamea © Pat Leonard

Cap: broadly convex to applanate; 30 – 35 mm diameter; brown and glabrous when first emerging, becoming creamy buff with a dark brown central disc and dark brown scales on the outer half of the cap; edge striate.

Stipe: cylindrical; 45 – 60 × 4 – 6 mm; a small pale buff ring 2/3rds of the way up the stipe, glabrous creamy buff above the ring, brown scales below.

Gills: free, white, crowded, lamellulae present.

Flesh: thin, white, unchanging.

Taste:

Spore print: white.

Spores: oblong; 6.5 – 7.5 × 4 – 6 µm; strongly dextrinoid.

Pileipellis: a trichoderm.

Habitat: in small groups in *Eucalypt* litter in dry sclerophyll forest.

Notes: first reported by Aberdeen from the St Lucia campus of the University of Queensland, it appears to be in a relatively undisturbed natural habitat at the Maroochy Bushland Botanic Garden in the litter of native trees. The current find agrees well with Aberdeen's description.

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