

Peziza vesiculosa



Peziza vesiculosa © Pat Leonard

Cup: concave cup; 20 – 50 mm diameter; upper surface smooth, yellowish brown with a pale inrolled and jagged edge; outer surface paler brown and furfuraceous.

Stipe: rudimentary or absent, but base holding tightly to substrate.

Spores: ellipsoid; 20 – 24 × 11 – 14 µm, Q = 1.75; smooth; thin walled; with rounded ends.

Asci: 8 spored, amyloid.

Paraphyses: septate, some with swollen apices.

Substrate: compost from local recycling facility.

Habitat: garden.

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Notes: two species of *Peziza* commonly grow on woodchip and compost in gardens, *Peziza repanda* is usually a paler brown than *Peziza vesiculosa*, but critically has smaller spores, seldom over 18 µm long.