

Amanita egreginus



Amanita egreginus © Pat Leonard

Cap: convex; 100 - 120 mms diameter; white, browning with age at centre; no velar remains seen, striate at margin.

Stipe: cylindrical; 120 × 30 mms; white; striate; hollow; with a large white pendulous ring at 0.75 of height; large 60 - 80 × 55 mm saccate volva; greyish buff; second emarginated ring surrounds stipe in base of volva.

Gills: free; crowded; white; one series of lamellulae

Flesh: white.

Spore print: white.

Spores: globose; 10 - 12 × 9 - 11 μm; inamyloid.

Cheilocystidia: not seen.

Pileipellis: a cutis.

Habitat: growing in a small troop in wet sclerophyl forest under *Eucalyptus*.

Notes: There are at least three very similar large white *Amanita* species that have a saccate volva. They can only be distinguished microscopic characters and by careful reference to Wood's key (page 751) and then only with difficulty.

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