

Collybia subdryophila



Collybia subdryophila © Pat Leonard

Cap: convex with a shallow central depression; 25 – 40 mm diameter; glabrous; flesh pink, (6B3, 6B2); margin inrolled.

Stipe: cylindrical or flattened with a central rib, hollow, base in an irregular oval bulb; 50 – 60 × 3 – 5 mm; glabrous; reddish brown; flesh fibrous where split open.

Gills: adnexed; crowded but quite thick; pale cream.

Flesh: thin, white; unchanging.

Taste:

Smell: pleasant, agaricoid.

Spore print: cream with a slight pink tinge.

Spores: subcylindrical, amygdaliform; 5.6 – 8.3 × 3 – 4.3 µm, average 6.8 ± 0.6 × 3.5 ± 0.3 µm, Q = 1.54 – 2.37, average Q = 1.93 ± 0.25; hyaline smooth.

Basidia: clavate; 25 – 32 × 8 – 10 µm, both two and four spored.

Cheilocystidia: not observed.

Pleurocystidia: not observed

Dermatocystidia: absent.

Pileipellis: a cutis of repent interwoven hyphae.

Habitat: in litter in parkland.

Notes: this very flesh coloured fungus with a brown stem keys to *C. subdryophila* in Grgurinovic and is clearly close but it is difficult to be certain on the basis of a single specimen.

Collections examined: MD 26, John Oxley Reserve, Murrumba Downs, Susie Webster, 3 Jul 2015.