

Cyathus olla



Cyathus olla © Frances Guard

Fruiting body: large, broadly funnel shaped with outward flaring of mouth, lip commonly wavy, seldom circular, 10 – 15 mm high × 8 – 10 mm wide, no stem, grey or grey-fawn. Externally fine textured, not shaggy. Internally smooth, sometimes transversely ridged.

Epiphram: with a distinct and persistent white cap over the fruiting body (epiphram).

Peridioles: large, up to 3.5 mm, commonly irregular in shape, < 10, silvery-white.

Spores: ovate, 10 – 14 × 6 – 8 μm

Substrate: mulch, potting mix, old wood.

Habitat: in rainforest and parks and gardens.

Notes: The specimens found in SE Queensland have shaggy hairy exterior.

Collections examined: Now 4 specimens in BRI