

Tremella fusciformis



Tremella fusciformis © Sapphire McMullan Fisher

Fruiting body: 20 - 100 mm radius; this extensively lobed jelly fungus usually has a central point of attachment; the texture is soft, gelatinized and moist to touch; it is generally a translucent white colour.

Flesh: gelatinous and white, it is thicker when wet.

Spores: ovoid to ellipsoid, $10 - 16 \times 7 - 8 \mu\text{m}$.

Substrate: wood.

Habitat: wet sclerophyll forests.

Notes: There are other species of *Tremella*, but none has the combination of prominent leaf like lobes and white colours that distinguish this species. This *Tremella* parasitizes other fungi, thought to be *Peniophora*. It is reported to be edible.

Collections examined: AQ811220, Lamington National Park, Tony Young, 30 Mar 1996; AQ?, Lamington National Park, Pat Leonard, 6 Sep 2008.