Amanita gossypinoannulata

Cap: shallowly convex; 50 mm diameter; shiny cream with an ochraceous tinge at centre; velar remains as ochre brown scales, crowded towards margin, darker than background; margin appendiculate and not striate.

Stipe: cylindrical with an elongated sub bulbous base; 110 \times 8 - 10 mm; covered in small white floccules; two ring zones near base, less distinct ring zone near apex.

Gills: free, cream, crowded, lamellulae in three series.

Flesh: thin, white.
Spore print: white.

Spores: ellipsoid; $8 - 10 \times 6 - 7$

μm, Q = 1.15; amyloid. **Cheilocystidia:** not seen. **Pleurocystidia:** not seen. **Pileipellis:** a cutis, clamp connections present.

Habitat: found in a small group growing in soil and deep litter in wet sclerophyll forest under

Eucalyptus trees.

Notes: This species can be confused with a number of

other white *Amanitas* and would be impossible to determine in the field,

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requiring close microscopical examination.

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