Heimioporus cooloolae



Heimioporus cooloolae © Roy Halling

Cap: convex to plano-convex becoming plane; 35 50 mm diameter; dry, finely subtomentose; pink with red and yellow tones; slightly appendiculate.

Stipe: cylindrical, often curved; $70 - 90 \times 10 - 15$ mm; dry; floccose at the apex, striate below; yellow to bright yellow at the apex, dull yellow becoming red then rhubarb red at base; some olive mustard tomentum at the base.

Pores: adnexed; greenish yellow to olive, hardly staining on bruising or very slightly blueing.

Flesh: white with slight yellowing below cap; yellow in upper part of stipe with red in the base and some very slight blueing.

Taste: mild.

Smell: mildly boletoid. Spore print: pale brown?

Spores: broadly ellipsoid to ovate; $9.8 - 13.8 \times 4.9 - 7 \mu m$, average $11.2 \times 6.2 \mu m$, Q

= 1.82; rugulose with crater like pits.

Basidia: clavate; $25 - 31 \times 8 - 11 \mu m$; 4 spored.

Cheilocystidia: clavate to subclavate, thin walled, 30 – 45 µm long.

Pleurocystidia: rare; fusoid; up to 55 µm long.

Dermatocystidia: absent.

Pileipellis: a trichoderm with terminal cells cylindrical to sub-capitate; clamps absent.

Habitat: in sand with *Eucalyptus*, *Allocasuarina* and *Leptospermum*.

Notes: This description is based on Fechner and Halling's recently published description from the Great Sandy National Park. This species is difficult to distinguish from *H. fruticicola*.in the field, but the spores are slightly smaller, shorter and less pitted.