

*Fistulinella viscida* (McNabb) Singer.



*Fistulinella viscida* © Pat Leonard

**English name:** The violet pored sticky cap

**Cap:** convex to planoconvex; 15 – 30 mm diameter; glabrous, viscid, rugulose; sienna, brown, chocolate brown (8F8); margin paler, entire, appendiculate.

**Stipe:** cylindrical; 15 – 40 × 10 – 30 mm; glabrous, white to sordid white; somewhat striate, pale brownish at base.

**Pores:** adnexed to free, excavated from stipe; violaceous brown, pinkish brown; ovoid and of uneven size.

**Flesh:** pallid ochraceous, unchanging on exposure to air.

**Spores:** fusoid; 13.1 – 16.2 × 3.6 – 5.4 µm, average 14.5 ± 0.9 × 4.5 ± 0.5 µm, Q = 2.7 – 4.05, average Q = 3.2; surface smooth, unornamented.

**Pilepellis:** an ixotrichoderm composed of hyaline hyphae 4 – 6.5 µm wide interwoven with clavate brown dermatocystidia in the subpellis.

**Habitat:** solitary in *Eucalyptus* forests.

**Material examined:** CH021, Chermshire Hills nature reserve, Brisbane, Marie Taylor, 31 Mar 2012; PL8414, Coolum National Park, Sunshine Coast, Pat Leonard, 5 Apr 2014.

**Notes:** The small size, sienna to caramel brown convex and very viscid cap, white stem and violaceous pink pores allow this species to be recognised in the field. Nevertheless it is very rare with only two known collections, but there are at least 12 different names for this species in the literature.