Simocybe subfulva



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Cap: convex; 10 – 12 mm diameter; finely hairy; dark brown (6F7); margin distinctly striate.

Stipe: cylindrical; $15 - 20 \times 1 - 1.5$ mm; striate; light brown (6D5).

Gills: deeply adnexed, sinuo-adnexed; moderately space, pale yellow-brown

becoming darker as the spores mature; lamellulae in a single series.

Flesh: thin, yellow-brown, fragile.

Smell: not distinctive.

Spore print: yellowish brown.

Spores: ellipsoid; $8-10\times5-6.5~\mu m$, Q=1.6; smooth, yellow-brown in KOH. **Basidia:** clavate; $20-25\times8-10~\mu m$; smooth, four-spored, sterigmata short. **Cheilocystidia:** numerous; clavate to subcapitate; $20-25\times8-10~\mu m$; with clear

contents.

Pleurocystidia: not observed.

Pileipellis: a hymenoderm or epithelium with dark brown contents.

Habitat: gregarious on litter of *Callistemon* and other garden plants.

Notes: This collection keys to the genus *Simocybe* in FunKey and accords closely with Cleland's description of *S. subfulva* (as *Naucoria subfulva* in Cleland and as *Ramicola subfulva* in Grgurinovic). The most commonly recorded species in Australia is *S. phlebophora* but that is a more robust species with a distinctive network on the cap, and is associated with *Nothofagus*.

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