Amanita aff frittilaria



Amanita aff fritillaria © Patrick Leonard

Cap: convex; 50 mm diameter; brown (7D6); radial fibres darker and splitting into small scales near margin; veil as white pyramidal warts.

Stipe: cylindrical with a distinct rounded basal bulb; 80×10 mm; glabrous, white; persistent membranous white ring; brownish velar remains on bulb.

Gills: free, fine, crowded, in three series.

Flesh: thin, white.

Spores: white, subglobose; $8-9.5 \times 7.5-9 \mu m$, Q = 1.2; amyloid in Melzer's.

Cheilocystidia: not seen.

Pilepellis: a cutis of filamentous hyphae.

Habitat: a single specimen found in association with *Eucalyptus grandis* in a mixed rainforest habitat.

Notes: This is a distinctive species with a relatively tall stipe, rounded bulbous base and pyramidal warts on the cap. Wood's key took us to *A. basibulbosa*, but in his notes he says that the species is close to Corner's *A. fritillaria*, which is brown and has pale conical warts. The colour of this specimen is brown and it has pale warts so in this respect may be nearer to *Amanita fritillaria*.

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