

## *Amanita punctata*



*Amanita punctata* © Pat Leonard

**Cap:** cap hemispherical to convex; up to 80 mm diameter; glabrous and slightly viscid; dark grey (13E1, 14E1), margin faintly pellucid striate; velar remains on cap in large white/ pale grey patch.

**Stipe:** cylindrical with a very slightly expanded base; 60 - 170 × 8 - 10 mm; glabrous, but with some clusters of hairs; grey, paler than cap; no ring; saccate grey volva.

**Gills:** free; crowded; greying cream with a distinct dark grey edge; lamellulae present in one series

**Flesh:** very pale grey

**Spore print:** white.

**Spores:** globose; 10 - 12 × 9.7 - 11.6 μm, Q = 1.02; inamyloid.

**Cheilocystidia:** not seen

**Pileipellis:** ovoid pedunculate cells, 25 - 35 × 20 - 25 μm.

**Habitat:** growing singly in open ground under *Eucalyptus* species

**Notes:** this dark grey *Amanita* with pale velar remains in large patches, a dark lamellar edge and a grey saccate volva should be easy to recognise in the field. Six records in Queensland.

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