

Albatrellus ellisii (Berk.) Pouzar

ROD name *Albatrellus ellisii*

Family Scutigeraeae

Morphological Habit polypore

Description: CAP 8-25 cm in diam., circular to lobed, flabelliform, convex becoming plane, wavy, depressed, greenish to sulfur-yellow or yellow-brown, sometimes with darker brown shades or stains with age. Surface dry, at first tomentose, hairs matted with age or grouped to form coarse scales. Margin wavy, at first enrolled. **PORE SURFACE** white to cream-colored, staining greenish or yellow-green when bruised or becoming yellowish to dingy greenish with age. **PORES** circular to angular, 0.5-2 mm in diam., 1-2 per mm. **TUBES** 2-6 mm long, often decurrent. **STEM** 3-12 cm long, 2-6 cm thick, central to lateral, solid, concolorous with cap. **HYPHAL STRUCTURE** monomitic, contextual hyphae thin to thick walled, interwoven with frequent branching. **CLAMP CONNECTIONS** present. **SPORES** ovoid to elliptical, 8-11 x 5-8 μ m, thin walled, smooth, apiculate, inamyloid.

Distinguishing Features: Characterized by a fleshy annual polypore, greenish to sulfur-yellow to yellow-brown cap and pore surface, and white spore print. *Albatrellus sylvestris* has smoky-olive, darker pore surface; *A. cristatus* is similar in color, but with less hairy cap and occurring with hardwoods in eastern North America. *Albatrellus pes-caprae* has a brown cap and stem, and inamyloid contextual hyphae.

Distribution: CALIFORNIA, Mendocino Co., Jackson State Forest, Aleuria Glen; Siskiyou Co., Klamath National Forest, Duck Lake area, near Callahan; OREGON, Douglas Co., Bureau of Land Management (BLM), above Olalla Creek, near jct. with Thompson Creek; Klamath Co., BLM, Klamath Falls Resource Area, 1.2 km south of Clover Lake; BLM, Klamath Falls Resource Area, Surveyor Mountain; Winema National Forest (WINF), 0.4 km north of Mountain Lakes organizational camp; WINF, 1.6 km southwest of Pelican Butte; WINF, 3.2 km northeast of Lake of the Woods; WINF, 2 km west of Harriman Spring; WINF, 4.8 km northeast of Sevenmile Marsh; WINF, off Dead Indian Memorial Rd.; Linn Co., Willamette National Forest, Lava Lake Snow Park; Wasco Co., Mount Hood National Forest, Pebbleford campground; WASHINGTON, Jefferson Co., Olympic National Park, West Twin Creek Research Natural Area; Kittitas Co., 8 km west of Ronald; Meany Ski Hut, Stampede Pass.

Substrate and Habitat: Solitary, scattered, gregarious, or in fused clusters on ground in forests.

Season: Late summer and autumn.

Reference: Arora, D. 1986. Mushrooms demystified. Berkeley, CA: Ten Speed Press. 959 p.

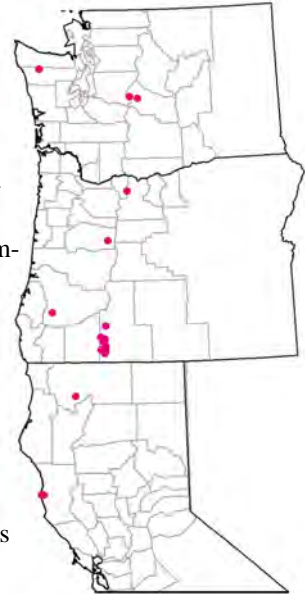


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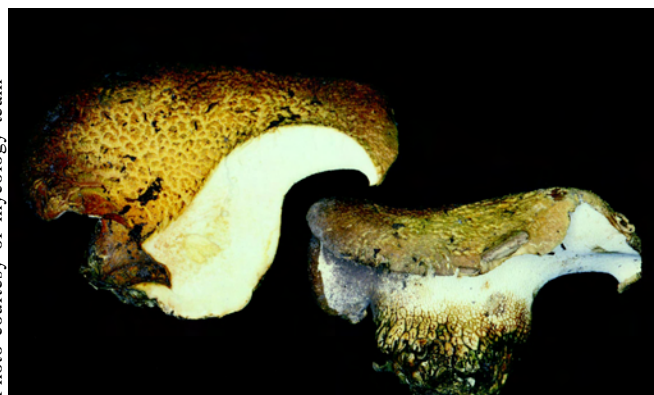


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