

Red Slimy-stalked Puffball *Calostoma cinnabarinum* Corda
Stalked Puffball-in-aspic



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ID: Glutinous red spherical puffball on a stalk (which may be buried).

Habitat: Solitary, scattered. In woods (often in sandy soil).

Fruiting body: 3/8 – 3/4" [1 – 2 cm]

Thick gelatinous outer peridium w/ thin bright red inner layer (when young) which splits into small pieces (which drop with the gelatin), exposing the bright reddish-orange inner peridium (orange/orange-yellow in age) which has an irregular slit-like mouth surrounded by bright red, elevated ridges.

Stalk: 0.6 – 1.5" [1.5 – 4 cm]

Reddish-orange/pale reddish-brown. Covered w/ thick gelatinous layer. Coarsely reticulate/pitted. Equal. Spongy. Often buried.

Spores: White (young), buff and powdery at maturity.

Frequency: Uncommon.

Locations: DANPV.

Notes: Mycobank 156972.

References: BBF 452, 458. BBH 324. Bri 502. BRBD 310, 82. K&M 128. E&S 340. Lin 841, 700. Phi 336. Roo 439. W&L 198-9.