

Onion Stalk

*Coprinus cepaestipes*  
(Sowerby) Gray



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[\*Coprinus cepaestipes\*](#)  
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**ID:** Cap white/pale yellow (grayish-brown in age) w/ powdery/granular scales, prominent umbo, striations to margin; bell-shaped (convex/conic in age). Stalk w/ mealy fragments, persistent ring. White flesh stains yellow.

**Habitat:** Clusters. In rich soil or mulch piles.

**Cap:** 0.8 – 3.1" [2 – 8 cm]

White/pale yellow (grayish-brown in age) under powdery/fibrillose-granular scales. Prominent umbo. Long and bell-shaped (convex/conic in age). Margin striate to edge. Flesh white, stains yellow; thin.

**Gills:** White (dingy in age). Free. Crowded. Narrow.

**Spores:** *White*. Broadly elliptic, smooth w/ apical pore.

**Stalk:** 1.6 – 4.7" x 1/8 – 1/4" [4 – 12 cm x 3 – 6 mm]

White. Bruises yellow. Sparse, mealy/filamentous fragments. Narrowly bulbous, tapering to very narrow tip. Persistent ring. Hollow.

**Frequency:** Occasional.

**Locations:** FRANF, HAMVL, MCLUR, ROBNC, SLMLP, UMDCF.

**Notes:** Mycobank 492175. Wincopin Trail specimen verified by examination of spores by R. Solem.

**Synonyms:** *Leucocoprinus cepaestipes*. *Lepiota cepaestipes*.

**References:** BBF 187key. Lin 515, 179. McK 245, 29. M&M 55. Roo 66. Kuo. Rog.

YOUNG TOP: Mt. Albert Road, 7/30/2010, J. Solem.

CAP: Schooley Mill Park, 7/31/2010, J. Solem.

SIDE SHOWING RING: Wincopin Trail, 6/22/2014, N. Magnusson.

UNEXPANDED CAP (cut): Mt. Albert Road, 7/30/2010, J. Solem.

OVERALL: Mt. Albert Road, 7/30/2010, J. Solem.

SIDE: Wincopin Trail, 6/22/2014, J. Solem.

SPORES (7.2 – 8.4 X 5.6 – 6.4 µm): Wincopin Trail, 6/22/2014, R. Solem.