

Silvery-violet
Cortinarius

Cortinarius alboviolaceus
(Persoon) Fries



OVERALL: Big Branch, 9/28/2009, *R. Solem*.
CAPS, STALK, GILLS and PARTIAL VEIL: Pigtail, 10/6/2009, *R. Solem*.
OVERALL: Hammod Village, 9/28/2009, *R. Solem*.
GILLS: North Laurel Park, 10/12/2008, *J. Solem*.
OVERALL: Rockburn Branch Park, 6/16/2009, *J. Solem*.
GILLS and STALK: Rockburn Branch Park, 6/16/2009, *J. Solem*.

Silvery-violet Cortinarius

Cortinarius alboviolaceus
Cortinariaceae

J	F	M	A	M	J	J	A	S	O	N	D		
					+	+	-	-	-	+	+	+	+

ID: Cap violet/lilac w/ silvery fibrils; bell-shaped (flat in age).

Habitat: Solitary, groups. On ground in duff in coniferous and hardwood forests.

Cap: 1.2 – 3.8" [3 – 9.8 cm]

Pale violet/lilac-buff, covered w/ silvery fibrils. Dry. Shiny, silky. Bell-shaped (convex/nearly flat in age w/ low, broad umbo). Margin inrolled. Flesh pale violet.

Gills: Pale violet/grayish, lilac; cinnamon-brown in age. Attached. Close. Broad.

Spores: Rusty-brown/brown. Ellipsoid, minutely roughened.

Stalk: 1.6 – 3.1" x 0.4 – 0.7" [4 – 8 cm x 4 – 15 mm]

White to somewhat colored like cap. Dry. Sheathed from base to annular zone w/ white silky veil. Tapers up. White partial veil leaves thin annular zone. Flesh turns lavender.

Frequency: Fairly common.

Locations: BIGBR, BOLPL, CEDLP, GUIPK, HAMVL, MPENA, NOLAP, PIGTL, RKBPR.

Notes: Mycobank 199674. Rockburn Branch Park specimen identified by examination of spores by *R. Solem*.

Subgenus: *Sericeocybe*.

References: Bar 226. BBF 105, 281. Bin 101. Bni 320fn. Lin 611, 342. M&M 315. Phi 177.



SPORES (7.7-8.8 X 5.0-6.0 µm): Rockburn Branch Park, 6/16/2009, *R. Solem*.