

Viscid Violet Cortinarius
Spotted Cortinarius

Cortinarius iodes
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SIDE: Western Regional Park 9/11/2011, R. Orr.
TOPS: High Ridge Park, 8/17/2017, J. Solem.
SIDE: High Ridge Park, 8/17/2017, J. Solem.
GILLS: Pigtail, 8/20/2009, J. Solem

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Cortinariaceae

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ID: Cap and gills lilac/purplish. Cap and stalk slimy.

Habitat: Scattered, groups, clusters. On ground under hardwoods.

Cap: 0.8 – 2.4" [2 – 6 cm]

Dark lilac/purplish, fading in age and developing yellowish spots, yellowish umbo or overall; varieties may have yellow disc. Smooth, slimy. Bell-shaped, broadly convex in age. Margin inrolled, veil fragments. Flesh white, then gray. Odor and taste not distinctive.

Gills: Lilac/violet; grayish cinnamon in age. Attached. Close. Depth = 2X cap flesh. Secondary gills.

Spores: Rusty-brown, brown. Ellipsoid, finely roughened.

Stalk: 1.5 – 2.8" x 0.2" – 0.6" [4 – 7 cm x 5 – 15 mm]

Violet/purplish; sometimes white toward base. Slimy. Smooth. Cylindrical or tapered upward. May have pale violet partial veil near top. Flesh white.

Frequency: Fairly common.

Locations: BIGBR, HIRIP, LONGC, PIGTL, RKBRP, ROGOR, SAVPK, TRIRS, TUFTS, WSTRP.

Notes: Mycobank 220464. Nearly identical *C. iodeoides* *slime is bitter*. High Ridge Park specimen verified by examination of spores by R. Solem.

Subgenus: *Myxacium*.

References: Bar 228. BBF 109, 282. BBH 171. Bin 109. Bni 320fn. BRBD 127,24. E&S 155. Lin 617, 344. M&M 320. Roo 193. Stu 189.



SPORES (8.9-9.5 X 6.0-6.7 µm):
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