Velvet Foot Velvet Shank

Flammulina velutipes (Curtis) Singer



SIDE: Wincopin Trail, 12/30/2015, *J. Solem.* OVERALL: Lake Elkhorn, 11/15/2008, *J. Solem.* CAPS: MPENA, 4/19/2016, *J. Solem.* GILLS and STALKS: MPENA, 4/19/2016, *J. Solem.*

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Flammulina velutipes Physalacriaceae

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ID: Cap orangish-brown, disc darker; sticky/viscid. Stalk velvety, dark reddish-brown. Use KOH.

Habitat: Groups, clusters. On hardwood trees/logs/stumps.

Cap: 0.8 – 2.8" [2 – 7 cm]

Orangish-brown/reddish-yellow, disc darker. Slimy in wet weather; very sticky when fresh, may be dry in age. Smooth. Convex (nearly flat in age). Margin yellow w/ veil remnants; inrolled (grooved in age). Flesh thin, yellowish/white, usually watery.

Gills: White/pale yellow. Attached/notched (subdecurrent in age). Close. Narrow.

Spores: White. Elliptic, smooth, hyaline.

Stalk: $1 - 3^{\circ} \times 1/8 - 1/4^{\circ} [2.5 - 7.5 \text{ cm } \times 3 - 7 \text{ mm}]$ Yellowish and smooth at top; dark reddish-brown and velvety from base up. Flesh white, leathery and fibrous; stains yellow. Hollow in age.

Frequency: Common (in rainy weather).

Locations: BIGBR, CASCT, DANPV, GONRA, HENPV, LKELK, MANWD, MPENA, MTPLT, MURHL, RKBRP, SAVPK, SLMLP, WINTR.

Notes: Mycobank 330940. Schooley Mill Park record identified by examination of spores by R. Solem. MPENA 4/19/2016 specimen confirmed by M. Kuo (*pers. comm.*). KOH stains cap red.

Synonym: Collybia velutipes.

References: Bar 289. BBF 117, 284. BBH 122. Bni 204. BRBD 131, 25. E&S 167. K&M 177. Lin 759, 63. M&M 158. Phi 73. Stu 165.



SPORES (5.7 – 7.3 X 2.8 – 3.5 µm): Schooley Mill Park, 11/4/2014, *R. Solem*.