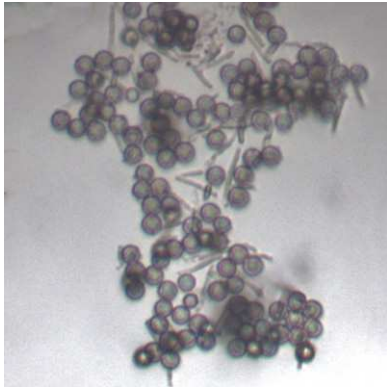


Peeling Puffball

Lycoperdon marginatum Vittadini



MATURE: Western Regional Park, 8/17/2011, R. Solem.
TOP: Big Branch, 7/10/2016, J. Solem.
SIDE: Big Branch, 7/10/2016, J. Solem.
SPORES (3.5-4.2 µm [round]): Big Branch, 7/10/2016, R. Solem.

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Agaricaceae

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ID: Body white/tan (w/ small spines/granules), soon peeling, cushion to pear-shaped w/ irregular pore in age. Spores olive-brown at maturity.

Habitat: Solitary, scattered, groups. On ground in oak or pine forests, or grassy areas, often in nutrient-poor soil.

Fruiting Body: 0.4 – 2" [1 – 5 cm]

White/tan w/ small spines/granules on surface that break off in age in sheets, exposing olive-/reddish-brown smooth inner surface; spore case opens by irregular pore. Cushion to pear-shaped w/ tapering stalk-like sterile base. Small groups of pointed spines converge at tips.

Spores: White and solid, then olive-grayish-brown and powdery in age. Round, slightly roughened, light brown.

Frequency: Uncommon.

Locations: BIGBR, WSTRP.

Notes: Mycobank 220937. Big Branch specimen confirmed by examination of spores by R. Solem.

References: BBF 454, 459. Bi 498. BRBD 316, 84. K&M 266. E&S 346. Lin 825fn. M&M 454. Phi 332. Roo 444fn. Stu 407.