

Elegant Stinkhorn

Mutinus elegans (Montagne) E. Fischer



CLOSEUP: Pigtail, 8/31/2010, R. Orr.

CLOSEUP: MPENA, 8/30/2012, J. Solem.

CLOSEUP: Franciscan Friars, 7/16/2014, J. Solem.

Stinkhorn

Mutinus elegans
Phallaceae

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ID: Body reddish-pink; spike-like w/ slimy dark fruiting surface. Foul odor.

Habitat: Solitary, groups. On ground, mulch, wood chips, or decaying wood.

Fruiting Body: 1.6 – 7" x 0.2 – 0.6" [4 – 17 cm x 0.5 – 1.5 cm] Dark pink/rosy-red. Rough/minutely pitted. Cap: Cylindrical; slightly bulged and somewhat darker color. Slimy, odorous spore mass covering head. Stalk: Pitted, sponge-like, hollow.

Spores: Olive-green/dark green, Ellipsoid, smooth, hyaline.

Frequency: Common.

Locations: CEDLP, ELKGP, HAMVL, HIRIP, MURHL, ORRBB, OTHER, ROGOR, MPENA, PIGTL, MCHPV, WINTR, WSTRP.

Notes: Mycobank 223153.

References: Bni 511fn. BBH 319. E&S 349. K&M 281. Lin 835, 692. M&M 478. Roo 414. W&L 218-9.