

Rooting Polypore

Polyporus radicans Schweinitz



OVERALL: Cedar Lane Park, 10/8/2018, J. Solem.
 TOP: Cedar Lane Park, 10/8/2018, J. Solem.
 PORES: Cedar Lane Park, 10/8/2018, J. Solem.
 SIDE (showing root): Cedar Lane Park, 10/8/2018, J. Solem.

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ID: Body yellowish-/reddish- brown, circular, convex to depressed; margin in-curved when young. Stalk yellowish-brown, central. Tapers to black underground root.

Habitat: Solitary, groups. On decaying hardwood or buried wood.

Fruiting Body: 1.4 – 8" [3 – 20.5 cm]

Yellowish-/reddish-brown. Surface velvety/finely scaly (sometimes finely cracked/roughened), dry. Circular, convex/nearly plane or slightly depressed. Margin incurved when young, (uplifted & wavy in age). Flesh (1 cm) white; fibrous-tough.

Pores: White/creamy yellow. Pores angular 2-3/mm).

Stalk: 2 – 6" x 1/4 – 1" [5 – 15.5 cm x 6 – 25 mm]

Yellowish-brown, scurfy; enlarged downward, central. Tapering below as a black underground root.

Spores: *White*. Ellipsoid/semifusiform, smooth, hyaline.

Frequency: Uncommon.

Locations: CEDLP.

Notes: Mycobank 239860. In the literature, spores of this species are shown as 11–14 x 6–7 microns, while this one and specimens in other collections are smaller (*vide* MushroomExpert.com). Identified by M. Kuo (*pers comm.*) Cedar Lane Park spores microphoto by R. Solem.

References: Bar 147. BBF 385, 399. BBH 260. K&M 323. Kuo. Lin 419, 447, 480. Phi 298. Roo 364. Stu 307.



SPORES (8.3-10.2 x 3.5-4.2 µm): Cedar Lane Park, 10/8/2019, R. Solem.