

Dryad's Saddle
Pheasant's-back Polypore

Polyporus squamosus
(Huds.) Fr.



OVERALL: Daniels, 8/23/2008, *N. Magnusson*.
UPPER SURFACE and STALKS: Font Hill Wetland Pk, 4/29/20074,
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OVERALL: Pigtail, 4/27/2009, *R. Solem*.
PORES: Daniels, 8/23/2008, *N. Magnusson*.
YOUNG: Daniels, 8/12/2011, *J. Solem*.

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ID: Body creamy-white/darker, cover/ large flattened reddish-brown scales; shape varies (fan-shaped to circular/funnel-shaped); margin entire/lobed; flesh thick. Pores off-white, angular. Stalk white above, brownish-black at base; off-center/rudimentary.

Habitat: Solitary, groups, overlapping clusters. On decaying hardwoods.

Fruiting Body: 2 – 12" [5 – 30.5 cm]

Creamy-white/dingy-yellowish/pale yellow-brown. Covered w/large flat - tened reddish-brown scales (often concentrically arranged). Kidney-/fan-shaped or circular/funnel-shaped. Margin entire/conspicuously lobed, thin. Flesh (<= 4 cm) white, soft-corky/fibrous-tough.

Pores: Off-white. Angular. Tubes (2 – 8 mm).

Stalk: 0.3 - 4.8" x 0.4 – 2" [1 – 12 cm x 1 – 5 cm]

White on upper portion, brown/brownish-black at base, lateral/off-center/rudimentary.

Spores: *White*. Oblong/ellipsoid, smooth.

Frequency: Very common.

Locations: AVORG, CASCT, DANPV, FHWLP, GONRA, HAMVL, HENPV, MARPV, MPENA, ORRBB, PABTR, PIGTL, ROBNC, RKBPR, SAVMP, SAVPK, SLMLP, WINFR, WINTR.

Notes: Mycobank 186284. Daniels specimen verified by examination of spores by R. Solem. Grows in spring and again in fall.

References: Bar 145. BBF 392, 11. KUM 323. Lae 203. Lin 481, 507. McK 129, 14. M&M 418fn. Pac 309. Phi 298. Roo 365. Rus 44, 13.



SPORE: (11.4 X 4.8 μm)
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