

Blackfoot Polypore
Elegant Polypore

Polyporus varius (Pers.) Fr.



OVERALL: Henryton, 8/13/2011, R. Orr.
 STALK and PORES: Sykesville, 5/24/2009, J. Solem.
 TOP: Sykesville, 5/24/2009, J. Solem.
 SIDE: Sykesville, 5/24/2009, J. Solem.
 PORES: Pigtail, 8/7/2014, J. Solem.
 SPORES (7.8 – 10.7 X 2.9-3.5 µm): Pigtail, 8/7/2014, R. Solem.

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ID: Body tan/cinnamon (pale in age); kidney-shaped/circular. Pores white/gray (reddish in age), decurrent. Stalk tan above, base/lower half black; central/lateral.

Habitat: Scattered. On dead branches and twigs of hardwoods.

Fruiting Body: 2 – 4" [5 – 10 cm]

Cinnamon-buff/tan (whitish in age). Dry, nearly smooth. Kidney-shaped, flat/concave. Flesh (1 – 5 mm) white/pale brown. Odor sweet.

Pores: White/gray/yellowish (light reddish-brown in age). Angular (4 – 5/mm). Tubes (2 mm) descend stalk.

Stalk: 0.2 – 3" x 0.1 – 0.6" [0.5 – 7.5 cm x 1.5 – 15 mm]

Tan/black on base or lower half; smooth/ fine hairs; central/lateral. Flesh pale brown.

Spores: *White*. Oval, smooth.

Frequency: Abundant.

Locations: ANNRK, BENBR, BIGBR, BOLPL, BRNBR, CASCT, CEDLP, DANPV, FRANF, GONRA, HENPV, HIRIP, LONGC, MANWD, MCHPV, MPENA, MTPLT, OTHER, PATBT, PATRP, PIGTL, ROBNC, RKBRP, ROGOR, SAVPK, SLMLP, SUKBR, SYRIV, WSTRP, WINTR.

Synonym: *P. elegans*.

Notes: Mycobank 225640. Pigtail specimen verified by examination of spores by R. Solem.

References: Bar 146. KUM 324. Lae 205. Lin 483, 453. Pac 309. Phi 300. Roo 360fn.