Bare-toothed Russula

Russula vesca Fries



TOP: Pigtail, 7/29/2011, *R. Solem.* TOP: Rockburn Branch Park, 7/23/2012, *J. Solem.* SIDE: Rockburn Branch Park, 7/23/2012, *J. Solem.* GILLS: Rockburn Branch Park, 7/23/2012, *J. Solem.*

Bare-toothed Russula Russula vesca Russulaceae J F M M J J A S O N

ID: Cap pinkish-brown/buff, coated w/ tiny matted fibrils (and dirt); convex (funnel-shaped in age); margin uplifted in age.Use FeSO₄.

Habitat: Solitary, scattered, groups. On ground in coniferous or mixed forests.

Cap: 2 – 4" [5 – 10 cm]

Variable pinkish-brown/buff w/ wine/olive overtones; coated w/ tiny, matted fibrils.. Skin peels, showing toothed white margin. Rounded (convex/flat in age). Taste mild.

Gills: Whitish/pale cream. Attached. Crowded. Narrow, forked near stalk.

Spores: White/cream. Oval; small warts up to 0.5 µm.

Stalk: 1.2 - 4" x 0.6 - 1" [3 - 10 cm x 1.5 - 2.5 cm]White/cream, often w/ pale greenish band at apex. Stains brownish. Dry. Smooth. Cylindrical/slight taper down.

Frequency: Uncommon.

Locations: PIGTL, RKBRP.

Notes: Mycobank 203547. Pigtail specimen identified by examination of spores by R. Solem. Gills and stalk stain salmon-red w/ FeSO₄. Attacked by *Hypomyces lactifluorum* (which see).

References: Phi 147. Rog.



SPORES (6.5-8.0 5.0-5.8 µm): Pigtail, 7/29/2011, R. Solem.