**Common Earthball**  
*Pigskin Puffball*  
*Scleroderma citrinum* Persoon

**ID**: Body brown/golden-brown w/ coarse warts/scales, top pore/irregular tears; spherical/ellipsoid. Spores white and solid, then marbled gray/purplish-black; blackish-brown and powdery at maturity. Use KOH.

**Habitat**: Solitary, scattered, groups. On ground/decaying wood in forests.

**Fruiting Body**: 0.8 – 2” H x 1 – 4” W [1.5 – 4 cm x 2.5 – 10 cm]  

**Spores**: Gleba white when very young, then marbled dark gray/purplish/black, solid and firm; blackish-brown and spores powdery at maturity. Round, strongly reticulate.

**Frequency**: Abundant.

**Locations**: ANNRK, BENBR, BIGBR, BRNBR, CASCT, CEDLP, DANPV, DFWMA, FRANF, HENPV, HIRIP, LONGC, MANWD, MCHPV, MCLUR, MPENA, MTPLT, OTHER, PATBT, PIGTL, RKBRP, ROBNC, ROGOR, SLMLP, SUKBR, TRIRS, TUFTS, UMDCF, WINTR, WSKPV, WSTRP.

**Notes**: Mycobank 181865. KOH turns cap darker red. Surface skin rots away, exposing pores. Shell remains after spores disperse. Morning Choice Trail specimen identified by examination of spores by R. Solem.

**Synonyms**: *S. aurantium*, *S. vulgare*.