

Velvet Paxillus  
Velvet-footed Pax

*Tapinella atrotomentosa*  
(Batsch) Sutara



TOP: Rocky Gorge Reservoir, 8/24/2009,  
*J. Solem.*

OVERALL: Pigtail, 6/30/2009, *J. Solem.*  
GILLS and STALK: Western Regional  
Park, 8/19/2018, *S. Muller.*

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**ID:** Stalk velvety w/ matted blackish-brown hairs. Cap dull olive-brown w/ matted hairs.

**Habitat:** Solitary, groups, clusters. On decaying conifer logs/stumps, or on partially buried wood.

**Cap:** 1.5 – 5.8" [4 – 15 cm]

Dull olive-/rusty-/yellowish-/blackish-brown. Felty/smooth; covered w/ matted hairs. Convex (flat/disc sometimes depressed in age). Margin inrolled when young. Flesh whitish, thick, tough.

**Gills:** Tan/yellow-brown/dull yellow. Decurrent. Close, often forked near stalk. Depth = cap flesh.

**Spores:** Dull yellow/pale brownish-yellow. Ellipsoid, smooth, hyaline/pale brown.

**Stalk:** 0.8 – 4" x 0.4 – 1.2" [2 – 10 cm x 1 – 3 cm]

Eccentric/nearly lateral. Light brown. Velvety w/ covering of densely matted dark-/blackish-brown hairs. Equal/ tapers up. Flesh whitish. Solid.

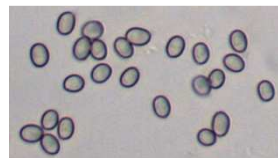
**Frequency:** Very common.

**Locations:** DANPV, FRANF, GONRA, HAMVL, HENPV, LONGC, MANWD, MCHPV, MPENA, OTHER, PIGTL, RKBRP, ROGOR, WINTR, WSTRP, WFD RP.

**Notes:** Mycobank 360246. Pigtail record identified by examination of spores by R. Solem.

**Synonym:** *Paxillus atrotomentosus*.

**References:** Bar 224. BBF 220, 10. BBH 159. Bni 291. BRBD 181, 40. E&S 2441. K&M 369. Lin 670, 322. M&M 288. Phi 196. Roo, 148. Stu 206. W&L 395.



SPORES (4.6-5.2 x 3.4-3.9 µm): Western  
Regional Park, 8/19/2018, *R. Solem.*