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**Clavicipita pyxidata** (Pers.) Doty

*Crown-tipped coral*

Clavicipita from clava, club referring to the shape

**Description:**
coral fungus

**Fruiting Body:** fruiting structure up to 12 cm high.

**Spore Print Color:** white. **Spores:** basidiospores 2.3 x 4 µm, ovate, hyaline; spore print white.

**Diagnostic macroscopic feature:** tips of branches are "crowned" with four evenly spaced projections; growth on wood

**Nutritional Mode:** saprobe

**Substrate:** on down logs, sometimes in large masses

**Habitat:** woodland

**Fruiting Season:** summer, fall

**Kingdom:** Fungi

**Phylum:** Basidiomycota

**Order:** Russulales