

Coprinosopsis variegata (Pk.) Redhead Vilg. Monc.

Scaly inky cap

Coprinosopsis from the Greek kopros, dung



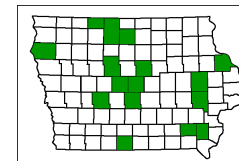
Description:

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Fruiting Body: cap 5-8 cm; stalk central, 4-12 cm long x 6-10 mm diameter. **Spore Print Color:** black.

Spores: basidiospores 7.5-10 x 4-5 μ m, elliptical, smooth, dark brown, with central pore.

Diagnostic macroscopic feature: medium to large inky cap with conic to bell-shaped cap, that has



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large brown scales, and partial veil when young,
growing gregariously on or near rotting wood

Diagnostic microscopic feature: veil cells on cap
cylindric, to 10 μm diameter; sterile cells on gill
sides and edges up to 200 μm long, clavate to
lageniform

Nutritional Mode: saprobe

Substrate: gregarious on or by down wood

Habitat: deciduous woods

Fruiting Season: summer, fall

Kingdom: Fungi

Phylum: Basidiomycota

Order: Agaricales