

Lactarius piperatus (Fr.) SF Gray

Lactarius from lac, giving milk; piperatus from piperitis, pepperwort; the milkcap with a peppery taste



Description:

mushroom

Fruiting Body: Cap (3)5-15 cm; stipe 2-8 cm long x10-25mm diameter.. **Spore Print Color:** White.

Spores: Basidiospores (4.5)5-7 x 5-5.4 micro, m; ellipsoid, ornamentation in the form of fine lines and wartlets, not forming much of a reticulum, plage indistinct..

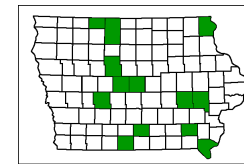
Diagnostic macroscopic feature: Latex present, white and at times drying yellow or staining the gills yellow; Gills often forked one or more times.

Diagnostic microscopic feature: Spores ellipsoid, ornamentation in the form of fine lines and wartlets, not forming much of a reticulum, plage indistinct.

Nutritional Mode: ectomycorrhizal

Substrate: On soil

Habitat: Deciduous Woods



Eastern United States

Fruiting Season: summer

Kingdom: Fungi

Phylum: Basidiomycota

Order: Russulales