

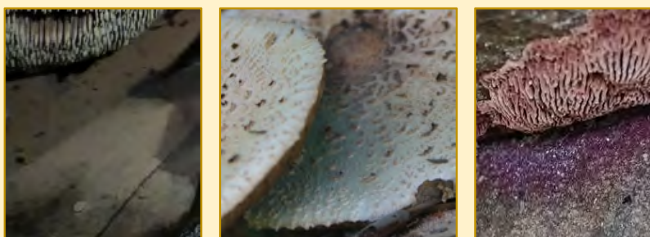
External colours, patterns & textures



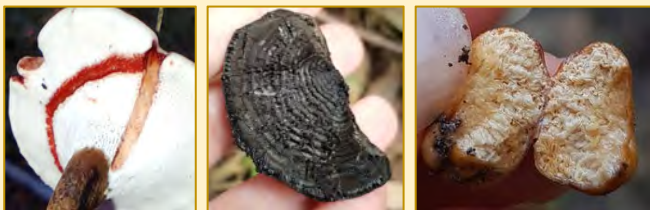
Location of gleba (slimy brown spore mass - stinkhorns)



Spore colour



Internal structure, colour, textures & bruising



Keep in mind that some of these features may not exist in different mushrooms, or may be difficult to record. Just remember to have fun, and leave some mushrooms for the next person to admire!

Websites & Apps:

Amanitaceae.org

Queensland Mycological Society

Australian Biological Resources Study

Field Naturalists Club of Victoria

Fungimap Australia

FunKey Agarics (app)

iNaturalist (app & site)

Publications:

A field guide to Australian Fungi, B. Fuhrer

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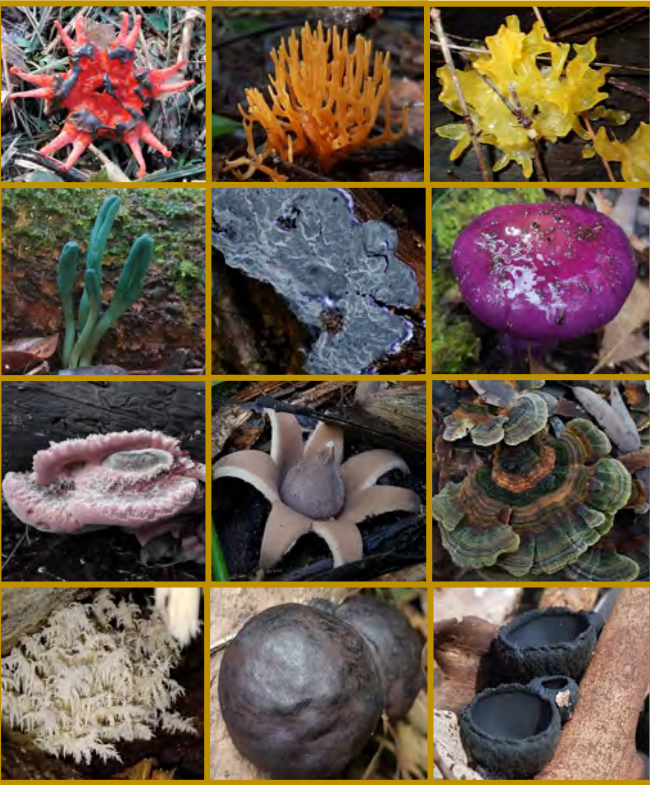
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A Guide to Photographing Mushrooms for Identification

What is a Mushroom?

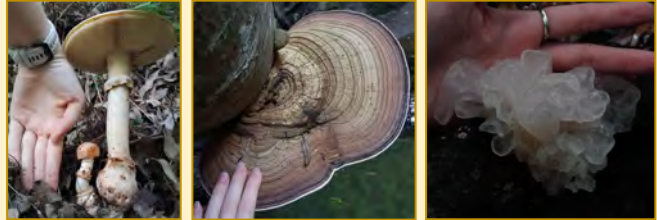
Mushrooms are reproductive structures produced by organisms in the Kingdom Fungi, similarly to the way plants produce flowers and fruit. They grow in all sorts of places, from deserts to rivers, on anything from live plants and animals to sand and stone.



Mushrooms come in in a wide range of sizes, in almost every imaginable shape and colour. They also vary a lot in the finer details, so it's important to capture as many features as possible when photographing them for identification.

Features To Capture (When Present)

Size (show fingers/ruler/other for scale)



Habitat; substrate



Top; Side; Underside



Presence/absence, shape, structure, and attachment of stem(s) & veil



Shape of spore sac; stoma (opening) shape & number (ball fungi)



Presence & shape of outer sac layer



Surface structure & attachment point (to stem/substrate) of spore-bearing tissue



Shape of branch tips (coralloid forms)

