

Ramariopsis avellanea

FAMILY

Gomphaceae, Basidiomycetes

AUTHORITY

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FLORA CATEGORY

Fungi – Native

DISTRIBUTION

Known from three individual collections, all from a small area of Northland.

DETAILED DESCRIPTION

The arbuscular fruit bodies, which are up to 3 x 1 cm, branch delicately and dichotomously in 2–4 ranks. They arise from small whitish mycelial patches. The erect stipe (stalk) is up to 15 x 2 mm. It is purplish tan to pale dull violet. The lower branches are concolourous but the higher ones are paler. The apices are delicate, to 3 mm long, and awl-shaped. The taste and odour is negligible. The spores are 3.6–4.3 x 2.9–3.2 μm , ovate to ellipsoid. They are thin-walled and hardly roughened. The ornamentation consists of extremely short, sparsely scattered prickles. Fruit bodies are pigmented from the start, and the final colouration is close to that of *R. pulchella*, which is much more strikingly purple.

FRUITING

Collected in June 1981 and May 1982.

SUBSTRATE

Substrate not recorded, presumably on soil.

WHERE HELD

PDD (holotype), TENN (isotype)

EXTANT COLLECTIONS

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ETYMOLOGY

avellanea: Hazel, nut-brown

Where To Buy

MORE INFORMATION

<https://www.nzpcn.org.nz/flora/species/ramariopsis-avellanea/>

