

## coral pink wood crust *Phlebia incarnata*

Kingdom: Fungi

Division: Basidiomycota

Class: Basidiomycetes

Order: Polyporales

Family: Meruliaceae

ILLINOIS STATUS common, native

### FEATURES

Fresh caps of this species are coral pink and grow overlapping each other. They are white or pink on the underside. Aged caps may appear to show pores on the lower side, but they are not true pores. The cap at maturity may be from six-tenths to two and three-fourths inches wide. Its edges are wavy, usually white. The general shape of the cap is semicircular with several indentations on the edge. There is no stem. The spore print is white.

### BEHAVIORS

This mushroom grows in hardwood logs and stumps, especially those of beech, birch, maple and white oak. It receives nutrients from dead or decomposing wood. The fruiting bodies appear in late spring, summer and fall. This species causes a white rot.

### HABITATS

Aquatic Habitats

**bottomland forests**

Woodland Habitats

**bottomland forests; upland deciduous forests**

Prairie and Edge Habitats

**edge**

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