Parrot Waxcap
Parrot Mushroom

Hygrocybe psittacina
(Schaeff.) P. Kumm.

OVERALL: Duvall Road, 6/12/2009, R. Solem.
TOPS: Henryton Road, 9/21/2011, G McClure.
GILLS and STALK: Henryton Road, 9/21/2011, G McClure.
SPORES (6.2 – 6.5 X 4.1 – 4.5 µm): Franciscan Friars, 8/28/20014, R. Solem.

ID: Cap olive-green at first, soon pinkish-orange; sticky/slimy (wet), smooth/shiny (dry). Stalk, color like cap.

Habitat: Scattered, groups. On ground under hardwoods or conifers or in grassy areas.

Cap: 0.4 – 1.2” [1 – 3 cm]


Spores: White. Elliptical, smooth

Stalk: 1.2 – 2.8” [3 – 7 cm]

Frequency: Occasional.
Locations: HENPV, PIGTL, TUFTS.

Notes: Mycobank 355816. Franciscan Friars and Duvall Road specimens verified by examination of spores by R. Solem. At least 5 varieties distinguished by color/odor (BBF).

Synonym: Hygrophorus psittacinus.