

BLACK EARTH TONGUE

Geoglossum nigratum (Fr.) Cooke

FRUITING BODIES: Scattered; black to dark brown, clavate, fertile portion occupying upper one half to one third, somewhat compressed, at times protruding asci give the surface a velvety appearance, lacking setose dark hairs; *stipe* concolorous, terete, glabrous to furfureous or squamulose, slender, up to 2 mm thick.

HABITAT-DISTRIBUTION: Growing among moss or on rotting wood under conifers, summer and fall, widespread, but only occasionally encountered.

VULCAN ELF CUP

Geopyxis vulcanalis (Pk.) Sacc.

FRUITING BODIES: Scattered to gregarious; cupulate, to nearly discoid, short stipitate, margin inturned, white, crenate, up to 1 cm wide; *hymenium* pale yellow; *exterior* paler, pruinose, glabrescent; *stipe* whitish usually buried in substrate.

HABITAT-DISTRIBUTION: Common on soil (rarely burned) or conifer litter, or among moss in spring, summer and fall, widespread, North America.

CHARCOAL LOVING ELF CUP

Geopyxis carbonaria (Pers.) Sacc.

FRUITING BODIES: Gregarious; deep cupulate, stipitate, margin crenate, white, up to 1 cm wide; *hymenium* brick red, smooth; *exterior* dull yellowish, pustulate or nearly smooth; *stipe* whitish, short, expanding abruptly into the cup.

HABITAT-DISTRIBUTION: Widespread on burned soil or charcoal in the spring and throughout the growing season.

SLIPPERY LEOTIA

Leotia lubrica Fr.

FRUITING BODIES: Gregarious to clustered; yellowish green to olivaceous, up to 6 cm high, fertile head convex, furrowed or wrinkled, margin lobed and overhanging, squamulose below; *stipe* ochraceous, dotted with greenish granules, tapering upward, 5-10 mm thick, consisting of three layers, the inner and outer layers gelatinous.

Winter Flush: A Temporary Garden

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