

# Fungal Fruits of the Forest



PNW Edible Mushrooms  
by Daniel Winkler  
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Powerpoint presentation

All Ages

Duration: 90min

**Learn how to  
safely find and  
prepare edible  
wild mushrooms**

Daniel will present in detail our choice edible mushrooms such as morels, chanterelles, hedgehogs, boletes, and lion's mane, which are fairly easy to identify, helping one to overcome fungophobia and truly appreciate wild mushrooms. However, there are many more other mushrooms that need much more experience for safe identification. In this richly illustrated presentation Daniel will help you get to know, identify and find many great edible mushrooms while steering you clear of dangerous look-a-likes. You will be advised how to properly collect, carefully transport, safely prepare and reliably store your mushrooms. Key in finding prime mushrooms is getting to know their preferred habitat and their seasonality. Daniel will share lots of new insights from his new book "Fruits of the Forest – Handbook to Edible Mushrooms of the Pacific Northwest", which is specifically written to help readers to safely enjoy our local edible mushrooms. In addition, Daniel is mixing in some fungal fun & facts from his ethno-mycological research and Mushroaming adventure travels.

Attendees are welcome to bring mushrooms for identification.

**Qualifications:** Daniel grew up collecting and eating wild mushrooms in the Alps and is sharing his enthusiasm as a mushroom educator, photographer and guide. The Puget Sound Mycological Society, which he joined in 1996 was instrumental in exposing Daniel to mycology and inspiring him to bend his career towards mushrooms. Daniel served on the PSMS board and as vice president for many years. Daniel published in 2022 "Fruits of the Forest – Field Guide to Pacific Northwest Edible Mushrooms" (available at [mushroaming.com](http://mushroaming.com)), a product of a life time of mushroom hunting, the last twenty-five in the PNW. Previously he published a series of fold-out field guides: Edible Mushrooms of the PNW, Edibles of California (both Harbour Publishing), Amazon Mushrooms, and Medicinal Mushrooms of North America, as well as MycoCards "Boletes of Western North America". In his presentations he is combining his stunning photography with a blend of entertaining stories and scientific information. As an ecologist and geographer Daniel focused on High Asia towards researching Tibet's enormous fungal economy. His ethno-mycological Cordyceps research has been featured in National Geographic, New York Times, The Economist, NPR, BBC World Service etc. In the last decade Daniel started exploring neotropical fungi. With his travel agency MushRoaming Daniel is organizing mushroom focused eco-adventures since 2007, current destinations are Bhutan and Colombia.