

**Name:****Crimson bolete***Rubinoboletus rubinus***UK status:**Vulnerable (Red Data List, ed.1).  
92 hectad records in FRDBI**London status:**

Rare (2 records)

**Protected status:**

None

**Relevant London HAPs:**

Parks &amp; green spaces; Open landscapes with ancient trees

**Citation:**

Rare north of Yorkshire, more frequent in Southern England although uncommonly reported. This small bolete prefers open, short grassy areas close to its usual host, oak *Quercus rober*, it is rarely found in woodland. The cap is 25-80mm and ochre-cinnamon in colour. The stem is 20-40mm tall and 7-10mm wide, and is a mixture of apricot, lemon yellow and red, dotted in part with lemon yellow at the base. The pores vary with age from peach, red, coral to ochre. In Greater London the crimson bolete has been recorded at Waterlow Park in LB Camden, and in LB Richmond.



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**Conservation priorities:**

- Monitor areas where this species is known to occur
- Ensure continued favourable management of sites
- Protect any new sites emerging from further surveys

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