

## Species Spotlight: Collared Earthstar

Recognisable by its cracked star shaped base and round inner fruit body, the Collared Earthstar is an unearthly looking, white-brown coloured specimen and was one of the first mushrooms we found at Boundary Way. You will find these fungi nestled on well-drained woodland floors. They release spores from their pointed holes as the wind blows past, or when they are disturbed by rain or animals. This fungus is not edible.

'Magnifying Mushrooms' by the Boundary Way Project explored the importance and beauty of fungi through an innovative programme of creative workshops and work with artists, scientists and plant experts.



Cover image: Artwork by artist Kanjana Nicholas. Further Image: Collared Earthstar at Boundary Way, photograph by Moya Lloyd.









