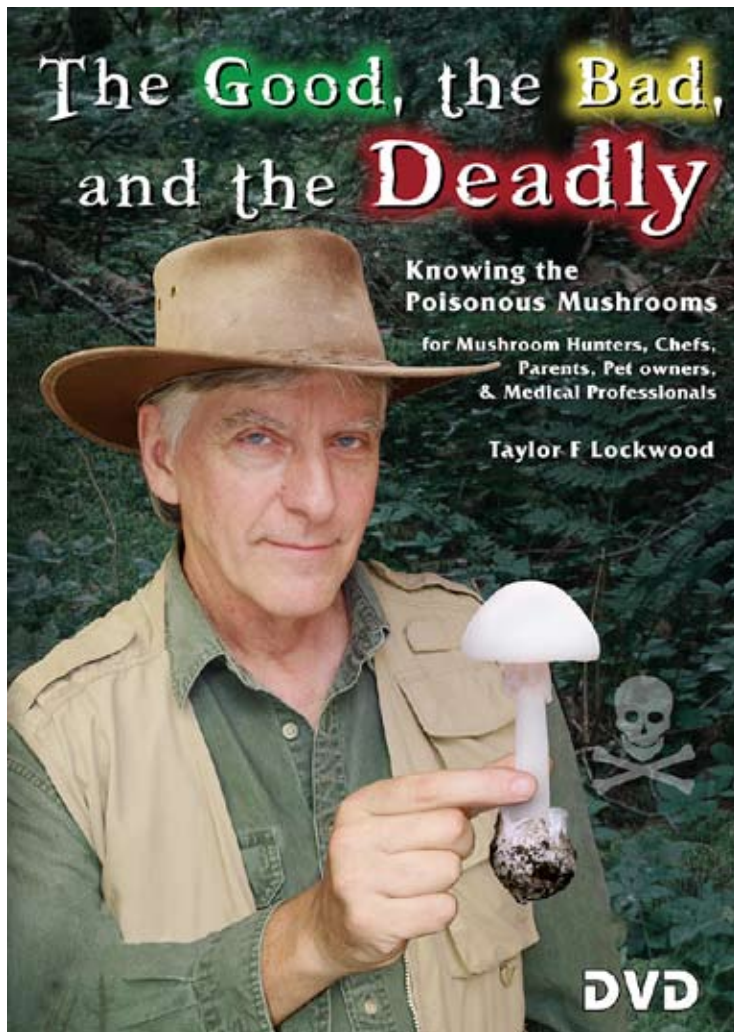


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## The Deadliest Mushrooms Are Coming to a Forest Near You!



Are you afraid of mushrooms? If you think mushrooms are dark, slimy, dirty, and even poisonous, your mind is about to be changed...by a real life character who might make you think he's straight out of a movie with Indiana Jones.

Taylor Lockwood is a biologist and photographer who has dedicated the lions' share of his career to capturing unique and gorgeous images of mushrooms, and now he's focusing on educating people about the wonders of these earthy delights. His new DVD, *The Good, the Bad, and the Deadly* teaches you the basics about toxic mushrooms and their edible look-alikes.

*The Good, the Bad, and the Deadly* is delivered in Lockwood's lively, down-to-earth style and features his beautiful mushroom photography.

In this delightful video, Taylor Lockwood dispels the myths about poisonous mushrooms. He covers basic mushroom identification, provides a close-up field tuto-

rial, teaches many botanical and common mushroom names, includes a short lesson on taking mushroom photographs and highlights the symptoms for eight groups of toxic mushrooms. Here is an essential and fun, educational tool for mushroom hunters, cooks, parents, pet owners, and medical professionals.

Here's a sampler.

Do you know the top three deadly mushrooms that people are likely to encounter in the US?

Here they are:

*Amanita phalloides* (Death Cap - mostly West Coast) -- responsible for 80-90% of the mushroom-caused deaths world-wide.



*Amanita bisporigera* (Death Angel - mostly East Coast).



*Galerina marginata* (Deadly Galerina - all over)



## ***The Good, the Bad and the Deadly***

Taylor Lockwood

Available in DVD online and from bookstores nationwide. For more information you can visit:

Photo catalog: [www.fungiphoto.com](http://www.fungiphoto.com)

Personal: [www.taylorlockwood.com](http://www.taylorlockwood.com)

Store: [www.kingdomoffungi.com](http://www.kingdomoffungi.com)

## About Taylor Lockwood

Taylor Lockwood was born to two artists in the French Quarter of New Orleans and grew up near Seattle, Washington, where he took to music at an early age. After high school he entered the University of Washington, College of Architecture. By the time he was 21, he was playing several musical instruments and soon moved to California to start a band. After living in the San Francisco Bay Area for a few years, he went on to Los Angeles. Then after three bands and seven years of heat and smog, he set out looking for a cooler and greener place to live. In December 1984, in the middle of the rainy season, he relocated to Mendocino, California. In his first week there he "discovered" mushrooms, bought a camera, and started taking photos. The rest is mushroom history.

Taylor Lockwood is an internationally acclaimed nature photographer specializing in beautiful and exotic mushrooms and other fungi from around the world.

He has garnered respect and acclaim from his mycological colleagues, from the media (through reviews and use of his images in many publications), and from his dedicated fans who come to see his digital multi-media shows and collect his images in the form of gallery prints, books, videos, and other mushroom-art products.

He has built his image catalogue through many years of world travel. In addition to extensive travel in the U.S. and Canada, his foreign photographic expeditions include:

- o 2008 Paraná, Brazil, Veracruz, México.
- o 2007 Tibet, Southern China.
- o 2005 Tibet, China, and Puerto Rico.
- o 2004 East Malaysia (Borneo), and Queensland, Australia
- o 2003 Quebec, Canada and Spain, France, Italy and Switzerland
- o 2002 Australia, New Zealand, Thailand, and Myanmar (Burma)
- o 2001 Australia, Thailand
- o 2000 Zimbabwe, Swaziland, So. Africa, India, and Japan
- o 1999 Indonesia, including Sumatra, Borneo, Java, and Bali
- o 1998 Thailand, So. China, and West Malaysia
- o 1997 Chile, Peruvian Amazon
- o 1995 Australia, New Zealand
- o 1989 Russia, Siberia, Finland, Sweden, Scotland.

His Publications List Includes:

- o 3rd DVD - *The Good, the Bad, and the Deadly* -- 2009
- o Postage stamp for The Netherlands -- 2008
- o 2nd book - *Chasing the Rain* -- 2007
- o "Kingdom of Fungi" web site -- 2006
- o "Ramaria Reef" poster -- 2006
- o "*The Mushroom Identification Trilogy*" DVD video -- 2005
- o "Chef's Choice" placemats, 2004
- o Poster - "Morels Forever", 2004
- o Video on DVD - "*Treasures from the Kingdom of Fungi*", 2002
- o Web site - [www.fungiphoto.com](http://www.fungiphoto.com)
- o Poster - "Saint Amanita", 2002
- o 1st book - *Treasures from the Kingdom of Fungi*, 2001
- o Poster - "The Wild, the Weird, and the Wonderful", 2000
- o Illustrations on cards:
  - o "Jungle Lovelies", 1999
  - o "Dear USPO" - postage stamp design, 1999
  - o "Aquarium", 1998
  - o "Close Encounters", 1998
  - o "The Big Picture", illustration for the New York Times, 1998
  - o "Treasures from the Kingdom of Fungi", 1997

His Show venues (short list) include:

- o Riks Museum, Stockholm
- o Atlanta Botanical Gardens
- o American Museum of Natural History, NY
- o Royal Botanic Gardens, Edinburgh
- o University of Pretoria
- o University of Benin, Nigeria
- o University of Western Australia, Perth
- o Silpakorn University, Bangkok
- o Missouri Botanical Gardens, St. Louis
- o North American Mycological Association conventions (6)
- o Farlow Library, Harvard
- o Duke University, North Carolina
- o Univ. of Georgia
- o Syracuse University, New York
- o Burlington College, Vermont
- o Findhorn Foundation, Scotland
- o Univ. of Washington
- o Milwaukee Public Museum
- o University of Texas, Austin
- o Idaho State University
- o University of Florida
- o Field Museum, Chicago
- o Buffalo Museum of Science
- o Esalen Institute, California
- o Oakland Museum, Oakland, CA

#### Education & Professional Credentials

- o College of Architecture, University of Washington, 1964
- o College of Art, University of Washington, 1966
- o Biological Sciences, Humboldt State University, 1985
- o Member North American Mycological Association since 1985
- o Member Mycological Society of San Francisco since 1986

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