



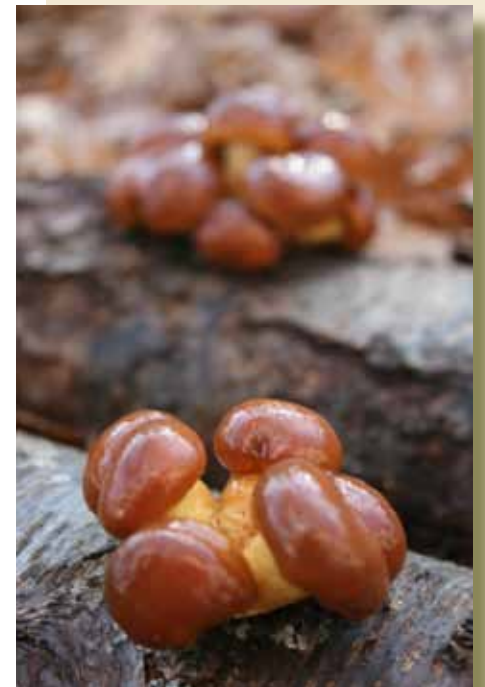
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# Nameko on Logs

## Growing on Logs

### The Basics

Nameko is an excellent species to plant on cherry wood, however, it has been known to grow on other hardwoods. Logs 36–40" long, 3–8" in diameter are ideal. These logs are drilled, inoculated with sawdust or plug spawn, and the holes are sealed with wax. After inoculation, logs are incubated, allowing the spawn to fully colonize the logs. This typically takes 15–18 months. After incubation, the logs are placed under varying environmental conditions to stimulate fruiting. Nameko sprouts in the cool wet weather of mid to late fall when daytime temperatures hover around 50°F. Nameko has a slightly gelatinous coating which, while unappealing to some, disappears upon cooking. This is not a beginner's mushroom, as you'll need to become familiar with the Nameko's characteristics to make sure you have a correct identification once it has fruited.



Here is a list of what you will need from us.

### For Plug Spawn Inoculation:

- Plug spawn
- 8.5mm drill bit **OR** 5/16 inch drill bit
- 5/16 inch stop collar (only if using 5/16 inch drill bit)
- Cheese wax (2.5 lb. for every 25 logs) **OR** plug wax (6 oz. for every 1000 ct. bag)
- Wax daubers (**not** needed if using plug wax)
- Aluminum tags

### For Sawdust Inoculation:

- Sawdust spawn
- 12mm drill bit with stop **OR** 7/16 inch drill bit
- 7/16 inch stop collar (only if using the 7/16 inch drill bit)
- Inoculation tool (Palm or Thumb)
- Cheese wax (2.5 lb. for every 5.5 lb. bag of sawdust)
- Aluminum tags
- Wax daubers

\*More detailed instructions are included with every spawn or kit purchase!

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