

Terebra flavescens Deshayes. P.Z.S. 1859, 299. Type (1). TOMLIN 461.40

FLAVESCENS (1)
DESHAYES 1859

3. *Terebra flavescens* DESHAYES. Uncommon.

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(x1)



Figure 17:
Terebra flavescens
Deshayes, 1859

15. *Terebra flavescens* Deshayes, 1859
(figure : 17)

Collectée de l'Australie aux îles Fiji, l'espèce est relativement rare. Un exemplaire est connu de Tahiti (district de Mahina). *T. flavescens* peut atteindre 50 mm de longueur, mais est souvent plus petite. De couleur brun pâle uniforme, elle ne ressemble à aucune autre espèce actuellement connue de Polynésie française, par sa sculpture de rides axiales incurvées. Taille moyenne adulte : 3 cm.

X15



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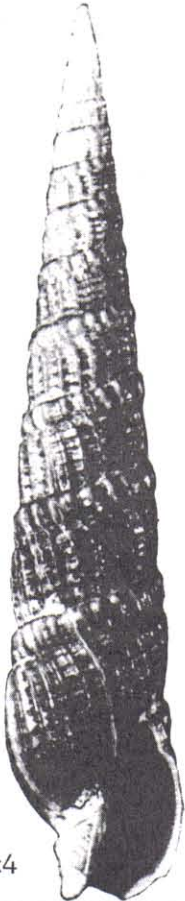
Terebra flavescens Deshayes, 1859
(Plate 50. Figure 367.)

SHELL: Light tan to brown in colour throughout; whorls number 13-16 apart from three violet nuclear whorls. Sculptured with 20-23 curved axial ribs, interstices with 8-9 spiral cords and a row of oblique beads at sutures; presutural groove is prominent.

SIZE: 1 1/4 to two inches.

DISTRIBUTION: Australia, Fiji Islands. Moderately rare. C1967

Terebra puncticulata Deshayes, 1859. In Weaver's Hawaiian Marine Molluscs, this species is shown as both *T. peasei* Deshayes, 1859 and *T. flavescens* Deshayes, 1859. It is closely related to *T. affinis*, of which it may be only a Hawaiian form or subspecies. (Comment by Twila Bratcher: "*Terebra puncticulata* and *T. affinis* are not conspecific, as Salisbury suggests, even though he lists them separately. Both occur in Hawaii where I have collected both personally, although *T. affinis* is rare there.")
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x4



x1

Uniformly tan to brown; to 50 mm. In shallow water.

122. **Terebra flavescens**, Desh.

T. testa elongato-turrita, angusta, apice acuminato, omnino flava; anfractibus latiusculis, convexiusculis, subinvolutis, sulco impresso marginatis, sutura profunde separatis, longitudinaliter et arcuatim multicostatis, primis transversim striatis, alteris obsolete striatis; margine suturali crasso, regulariter crenato; ultimo anfractu basi convexo, canali brevi profunde emarginato terminato; apertura angusta, elongato-quadrata; columella cylindracea, obsolete bicipitata.

Long. 45 mill., larg. 9.
Hab. Les Iles Sandwich.
Collection Cuming.

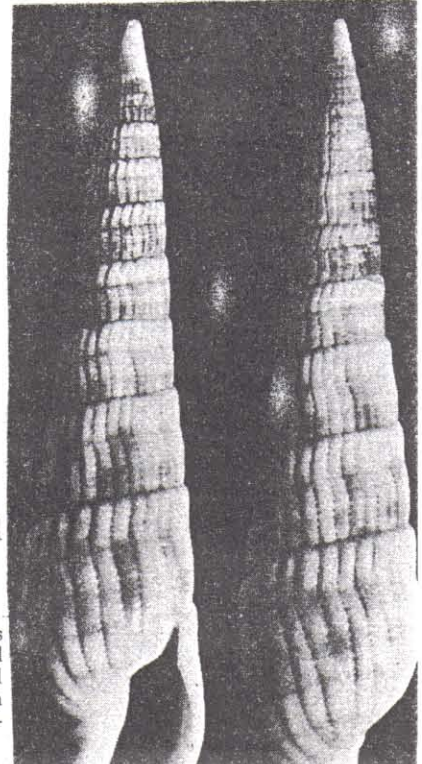
DESH 1859 p 299

122. *T. flavescens* Desh. P.Z.S., 1859, 299. Hawaii. Type B.M. 744

81. *flavescens*, *Terebra* - DESHAYES, 1859, P. Z. S. L., p. 299. Hab. Les Iles Sandwich. Coll. Cuming ("Mr. Pease" on label). Size: 45x9 mm. Holotype: 44.6 mm. C 69

T. (Strioterebrum) flavescens DESHAYES, 1859: Proc. Zool. Soc. London, p. 299, no. 122; Fig.: REEVE, Conch. Icon., 160, T., pl. 14, fig. 59.

Very uncommon. Subic Bay (Ames Collection, San Diego, California; B no. 214). BURR 64



WEAVER 60

PLATE 7, BOTTOM RIGHT

*Terebra flavescens*⁶ Deshayes, 1859

Length: 42 mm.

Distribution: Hawaiian Islands and Tropical Pacific

Habitat: Shallow water (rare)

6. Shell similar in color and shape to *peasei* but ribs narrower, flatter and bisecting a wider presutural band at an angle, 30 such ribs on the body whorl of a shell 30 mm. in length; interstices numerous cancelled with fine linear grooves, more numerous than the punctations on *peasei*; columella twistedly recurved. *Terebra flavescens* Deshayes. P.Z.S. 1859. p. 299.



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34. *Terebra (Strioterebrum) flavescens* DESHAYES, 1859

(Plate 6, Figure 34) 1-2

1859. *Terebra flavescens* DESHAYES, Proc. Zool. Soc. London, p. 299, no. 122

Shell: Shell small, moderately heavy and slender; light tan to brown in colour throughout. Whorls moderately convex, numbering from 13 to 16, apart from protoconch of 3 glassy violet nuclear whorls; presutural band defined by a deep spiral groove, sutures deep and with a noticeable presutural roll. Sculpture consists of curved and rounded axial ribs which extend onto the presutural band to form oblique, longitudinally oriented narrow beads; axial ribs number from 20 to 23 on the penultimate whorl. Intercostal spaces broad with 8 to 9 elevated spiral cords which extend to the summits of the ribs; in certain individuals spiral cords override axial ribs, making these appear finely beaded; cords interrupted by a somewhat broad presutural groove, but 3 to 4 cords continue on the sutural nodules. Body whorl axially plicate, with

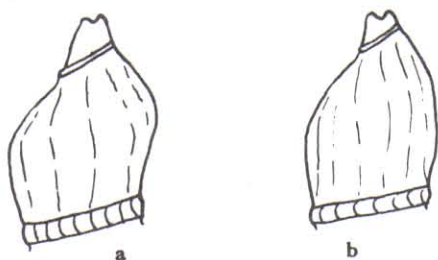


Figure 10

a - Lateral view of body whorl of *Terebra succincta* (GMELIN)
b - Lateral view of body whorl of *Terebra flavescens* DESHAYES

15 to 17 transverse cords in intercostal spaces; columella creamy-tan to dark brown, concave, undulate slightly recurved and corded on either side, a calloused elevated area extends onto body whorl, interior of aperture light brown.

Size: 30 to 45 mm.

Habitat: In clean sand, from 3 to 5 fathoms.

Moderately rare.

Distribution: South and West Viti Levu. - Australia.

Discussion: The species is similar to *Terebra succincta* (GMELIN) but differs in being tan in colour, with a deep presutural groove, rounded axial ribs and more elevated longer intercostal grooves; the aperture is distinctly laminated in adult specimens and the body whorl lacks the bulbous appearance of *T. succincta*.

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Figure 34: *Terebra flavescens* DESHAYES. Fiji. x 2.0



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FLAVESCENS (2)
DESHAYES 1859 98
= SUCCINCTA

Species 59. (Mus. Cuming.)



59.

TEREBRA FLAVESCENS. *Ter. testá aculé tereti, flavescencie, anfractibus plano-convexis, supernè sulco divisis, concentricè densè costatá, costis ad marginem crenatis, interstitiis sulcis tenuibus linearibus cancellatis; aperturá parvá, columellá contorto-recurvá.*

THE YELLOWISH TEREBRA. Shell sharply terete, yellowish, whorls flatly convex, divided by a groove at the upper part, concentrically closely ribbed, ribs crenated at the margin, interstices cancellated with fine linear grooves; aperture small, columella twistedly recurved.

DESHAYES, Proc. Zool. Soc. 1859, p. 299.

Hab. Sandwich Islands; Pease.

This species is remarkably like the preceding, but it will be observed on comparing them that in *T. cancellata* the columella is straight, while in *T. flavescens* it is contracted and twistedly recurved. RJ 1860

Flavescens (*Terebra*), Desh. Proc. Zool. Soc., 1859, p. 299.
= *T. cancellata*, Quoy, 6/99



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T. flavescens Desh
= *cancellata*

95. *Terebra flavescens*, Desh. (= *cancellata*). Conch. Icon., f. 59,

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98b

98c.

Holotype of *T. flavescens* Deshayes, British Museum (N.H.)
No. 197994; 44.6 mm.