

190. *Terebra glossema* Schwengel, 1942

(Pl. 49, fig. 190)

1940 *Terebra glossema* Schwengel, Nautilus 53(3), pl. 12, figs. 13-14 (figures and name only). [nomen nudum—Art. 13 of ICZN]; 1942 Schwengel, Nautilus, 56(2):65, pl. 6, fig. 3; 1982 Abbott & Dance, Compendium of Seashells p. 276 (paratypes fig'd in color).

1974 *Terebra (Strioterebrum) glossema* Schwengel, Abbott, American Seashells 2nd ed: 260, fig. 2841.

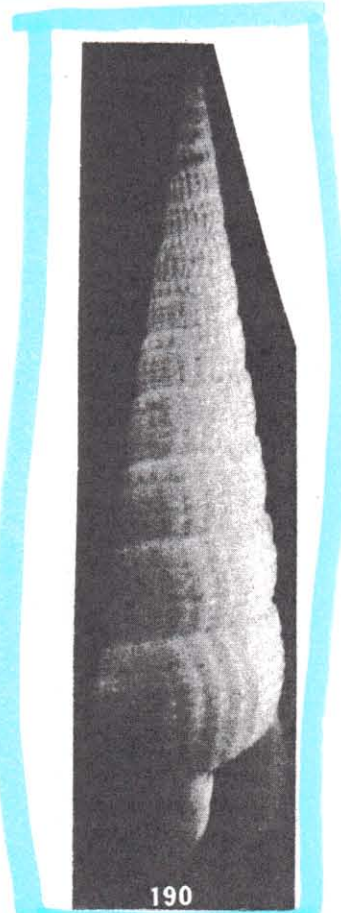
**Description:** Shell to 28 mm; color white to pale buff with lighter band; outline of whorls convex, slightly turreted; protoconch of 1½ pinkish whorls; subsutural band ribbed, marked by a shallow groove; axial ribs, about 27 on body whorl, crossed by 4 to 6 spiral grooves; aperture quadrate; columella recurved.

**Type locality:** "Off Pelican Shoals, Florida Keys; 7 to 8 fms."

**Distribution:** East coast of Florida to Bahama Islands and Cuba.

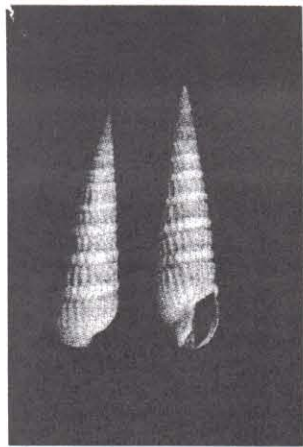
**Type:** Holotype ANSP no. 175131; 24.2 × 6.0 mm.

**Discussion:** *T. arcas* (189) may be separated from this species by its whorls which are not turreted and usually are more inflated and by the subsutural band which does not show in outline as it does in this species. See *T. protexta* (191) for comparison with that species. B-190-162



190, *T. glossema* Schwengel. Holotype Academy Natural Sciences Philadelphia No. 175131; 24.2 mm.

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Southeast Florida and Cuba; Bahamas.

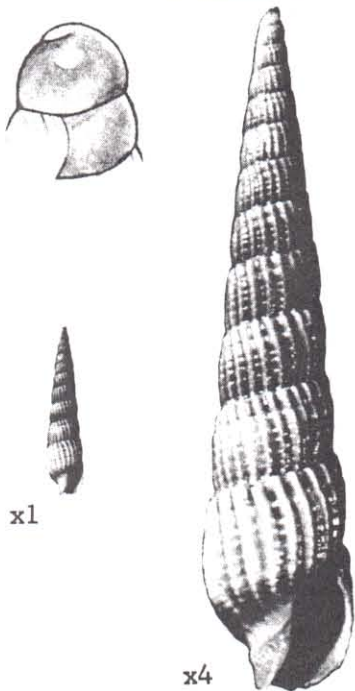
1 inch, 1/4 as wide and long. 1 1/2 nuclear whorls, smooth, pinkish. 14 adult whorls white, with small, retractively curved ribs (27 on the last whorl). Spiral cut grooves 5 or 6 between ribs. Spiral lines present between the grooves on the last 3 whorls. Siphonal fasciole convex. Columella smooth and recurved. Sometimes buff-colored with a paler band on the base. Not uncommon; 1 to 8 fathoms. *The Nautilus*, vol. 53 (1940), pl. 12, and vol. 56 (1942), p. 65, pl. 6.

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Glossema Auger (1") 2.5 cm  
*Terebra glossema* Schwengel, 1940. S.E. Florida; Cuba; Bahamas. Offshore to 8 fathoms; moderately common. Paratype.

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13, 14, *Terebra glossema* Schwengel, Pelican Shoals, Fla.

Glossy; light brownish; to approx. 22 mm. In shallow water.

*Terebra glossema* Schwengel

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TEREBRA GLOSSEMA, new species. Pl. 6, fig. 3.

Shell elongate, apex very minute but rounded, consisting of 1 1/2 smooth, faintly pink whorls, followed by 14 slightly convex whorls; milk-white, tapering regularly from base to apex. Axial sculpture of small, retractively curved ribs, scarcely equal to their intervals, 27 on the last whorl. Spiral sculpture begins so faintly on early whorls as to be undiscernible except through a lens, but gradually strengthens into 5 or 6 unevenly spaced, squarely cut linear grooves, a much wider groove defining the sutural fasciole. Microscopic spiral lines appear between the grooves on the last three whorls. These grooves do not completely cut the summits of the ribs, thereby retaining the continuity of ribs from apex to base. Aperture small, columella smooth and recurved into the deeply channelled notch, siphonal fasciole convex.

Length 24 mm., width 6 mm.; length of aperture, 5 mm., width 2 mm.

Dredged in 7 to 8 fms. off Pelican Shoal, Florida Keys, by the author and Ted Dranga in April, 1939. Type 175131 A.N.S.P. It was illustrated in THE NAUTILUS, Vol. 53, No. 3, January, 1940, plate 12, fig. 14.

*T. glossema*, taken in the dredging off Sanibel in 1941, shows the first 8 or 9 whorls of ochraceous buff, with a paler band on the next to the last whorl and on the base.



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