

KOWIENSIS

TURTON 1932

(V) (132)

92 *Terebra kowiensis*, new species. 18. Pl. II. P.A.

The *shape* of the shell is narrowly conic; nuclear whorls missing, the remaining 7 slightly convex with impressed sutures. The *surface* is marked by axial ribs only (about 40 on the last whorl). The *colour* is white with a narrow interrupted light-brownish band round the middle of the whorls; and the *size* 18×4.5 mm. *Characteristics*. This differs from 87, *capensis*, in the whorls being slightly more convex and with many more axial ribs. I only found a single specimen.



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Terebra kowiensis Turton

1932. Turton. *Mar. Sh. Pt. Alfred*, p. 11, pl. 2, no. 92.

The figure shows an 18 mm. shell with 6 whorls; nearly straight, broad axial ribs with narrow intervals, 7 on 2nd whorl, about 10 or 11 on last whorl; the photograph does not seem to have been retouched (as have some of Turton's photographs), so one may reckon there should be about 24 axial ribs on the complete circumference of the last whorl.

Such as it is, the description does not correspond: 7 whorls, and about 40 ribs on the last whorl. The number 40 is probably a misprint.

In having no spiral sculpture, Turton's shell has some resemblance to *thielei* and *planecosta*; to the former species in regard to the number of ribs, to the latter in regard to their (apparent) flatness and narrow intervals. But the *kowiensis* photograph shows a greater number of ribs, and an altogether larger shell.

BARNARD 1958 p 82 (S.A.F.)

132. *Terebra kowiensis* Turton, 1932

(Pl. 34, fig. 132)

1932 *Terebra kowiensis* Turton, *Mar. Shells Port Alfred, S. Africa* p. 11, pl. 2, fig. 92; 1958 Barnard, *Ann. S. African Mus.* 44(4):82.

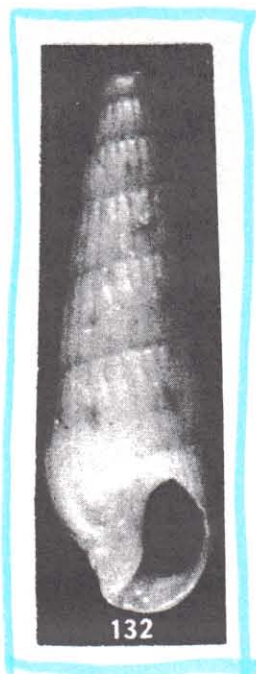
Description: Shell to 18 mm; color shiny pale brown blotched with rich reddish brown, giving the appearance of interrupted brown lines in middle of whorls; base of columella deep mauve; outline of whorls almost straight, slightly tur-reted, narrowly ledged at suture; protoconch 1½ bulbous whorls; subsutural band absent; axial ribs rather flat, unbroken from suture to suture, about 20 on body whorl; interspaces a mere groove between ribs; spiral sculpture absent; aperture moderately elongate; columella re-curved.

Type locality: "Port Alfred, South Africa."

Distribution: South Africa.

Type: Oxford Univ.; 18.0 × 4.5 mm.

Discussion: *T. planecosta* (133) may be separated from this species by its smaller size, half the length in the same number of whorls; less numerous axial ribs; brown color, and body whorl which cuts in abruptly below the periphery while that of this species slants in a weak curve almost like that of a *Hastula*. p. 132-133



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132, *T. kowiensis* Turton.

Holotype Oxford University; 18.0 mm.