

119. *Terebra scalariformis*  
(Cotton & Godfrey, 1932)  
(Pl. 31, fig. 119)

1932 *Gradaterebra scalariformis* Cotton & Godfrey, S.  
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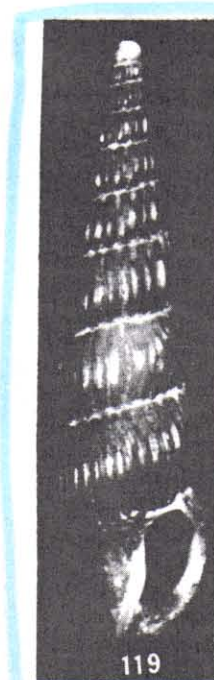
**Description:** Shell to 12 mm; color brown; outline of whorls extremely convex; protoconch of 1½ whorls; subsutural band indicated by weak constriction of ribs; axial ribs fine, slender, from suture to suture, 28 on penultimate whorl; spiral sculpture absent; aperture of holotype broken; columella slightly curved.

**Type locality:** "Newland Head, South Australia, 20 fms."

**Distribution:** South Australia; to 40 m.

**Type:** Holotype SAM no. D-110176; 12.1 × 3.2 mm.

**Discussion:** Some specimens are translucent with a blackish purple protoconch. This is the type species of the genus *Gradaterebra* Cotton & Godfrey, 1932. Their diagnosis of the genus is, "Tapering, narrow; axial ribs numerous; flexous; protoconch blunt, two turns, smooth, round; last whorl cylindrically oblong, contracted at the base; columella slightly convex; anterior notch a little everted. Closely related to *Euterebra* but distinguished by the development of the axials and the convex whorls." 8-119-113



119, *T. scalariformis* (Cotton & Godfrey). **Holotype** South Australian Museum, Adelaide No. D-10176; 12.1 mm.