

Species 88. (Mus. Cuming.)

TEREBRA TESSELLATA. *Ter. testá acuminato-turritá, nítente-albá, rufo-castaneo biseriatim maculatá, anfractibus concavo-planis, lævibus, supernè sulco divisis, margine tumido, crenato; aperturá parvâ, columellâ rectâ, carinatâ.*

THE TESSELLATED TEREBRA. Shell acuminate, turreted, shining-white, encircled with two rows of reddish-chestnut spots, whorls concavely flattened, smooth, divided at the upper part by a groove, margin swollen, crenated; aperture small, columella straight, keeled.

GRAY, Proc. Zool Soc. 1834.

Terebra decorata, Deshayes.

Hab. Tidang, Sumatra.

Conspicuously characterized by a double row of reddish-chestnut spots, while the swollen sutural margin is of a more opaque white than the rest of the shell.

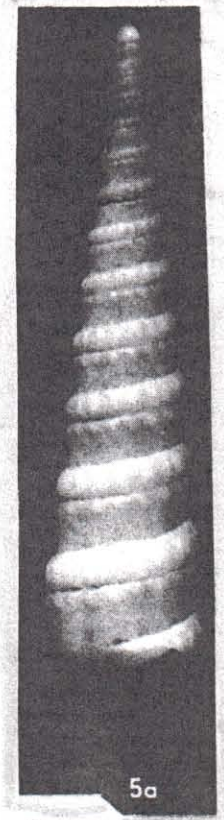


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Tessellata (Terebra), Reeve. Conch. Icon., sp. 88, 1860.
= *T. decorata*, Desh.

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16: *Terebra tessellata* Gray; E. Africa; 62.8 mm. (sp. 5).

5a-e, *T. tessellata* Gray. 5a, Immature holotype, British Museum (N.H.) No. 1979120; 29.0 mm. 5b, Illustration of type from Hinds, 1844, pl. 45, fig. 124. 5d, Djibouti, French Somalia; 62.0 mm. 5e, Middle whorls.

5. *Terebra tessellata* Gray, 1834

(Pl. 2, figs. 5a-e)
(Color pl. B, fig. 16)

- 1834 *Terebra tessellata* Gray, Proc. Zool. Soc. Lond. pt. 2:61; 1844 Hinds in Sowerby, Thes. Conch. 1:166, pl. 45, fig. 124; 1860 Reeve, Conch. Icon. 12: pl. 19, sp. 88.
- 1867 *Terebra decorata* Deshayes, Journ. Conchyl. 6:75, pl. 4, fig. 13.

Description: Shell to 60 mm; color cream with 2 spiral rows of brown spots per whorl plus a row on the subsutural band and an additional row below the periphery of the body whorl; outline of whorls straight; subsutural band convex, narrow, noded, defined by a deep groove; anterior to this band is a row of weak, small nodes which become progressively weaker, usually disappearing completely on later mature whorls; remainder of whorls smooth except for axial striae; aperture quadrate; columella recurved; siphonal fasciole with a very sharp keel.

Type locality: *T. tessellata*, none. Aden is here designated as the type locality; *T. decorata* was from "Padang," Sumatra.

Distribution: Indo-Pacific, from Aden to Indonesia.

Type: *T. tessellata* holotype BM(NH) no. 1979120, 29.0 mm; *T. decorata* holotype (pl. 2, fig. 5c) BM(NH) no. 197958, 39.9 x 9.0 mm.

Discussion: The holotype is a juvenile specimen which still retains the nodes anterior to the subsutural band and has just begun to develop the color pattern typical of this species.

Two other Indo-Pacific species also have four rows of brown spots per whorl. *T. areolata* (1) has a flat subsutural band and is axially ribbed on early whorls while *T. tessellata* has a narrow, convex band and lacks the axial ribs. *T. ornata* (139) a Panamic species, has a broader shell with a wider subsutural band.

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TEREBRA TESSELLATA. *Ter. testâ turritâ, subulatâ, lævi; anfractibus planis, cingulo convexo noduloso albo, superioribus cingulo altero etiam noduloso; albâ brunneo interruptè trifasciatâ, maculis æqualibus quadratis.*

Axis (an junioris?) 1 unc.

This differs from all the other spotted species by the hinder belt being destitute of spots: the belt is also more nodulose than in the other species which are marked with spots.

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47. T. TESSELLATA. (pl. xlv. f. 124,) Gray, l. c. p. 61.

Testâ subulatâ, turritâ, lævigatâ, albâ, brunneo interruptè trifasciatâ; anfractibus planulatis, supernè seriebus duabus tuberculorum instructis; aperturâ quadratâ; columellâ contortâ; canali mediocri.

A single specimen only of this species exists, and which is in the collection of the British Museum.

Native country unknown.

H 1844 b. T.C. p 166 t xlv f. 124.



49. TEREBRA TESSELLATA, Gray, l. c. p. 61.

Hab. —? (v. s. in m. Britannico.) H 44 a p 163

215. TEREBRA TESSELLATA, Gray.

Terebra tessellata, Gray, Proc. Zool. Soc. 1834, p. 61; Hinds, Thes. Conch. p. 166. no. 47, pl. 45. f. 124.

Hab. —? D 254 1857 p 314

25. TEREBRA TESSELLATA, Gray.

Hab. Pidang, Sumatra.

This species is quite distinct from *T. ligata*, Hinds, with which it is united by Tryon¹. It is, however, identical with *T. decorata*, Deshayes. Having the types of the three so-called species in the Museum, I can speak with certainty upon the subject.

The specimens from Aden show that this species attains to much larger dimensions than those already quoted, the largest example having a length of 55 millimetres. S 7174 1891 p 403

TEREBRA TESSELLATA (Gray) Hinds.

1834	<i>Terebra tessellata</i>	GRAY, Proc. Z. S. L., p. 61.
1843.	— — Gray,	HINDS, Proc. Z. S. L., p. 163.
1885.	— — —	TRYON, Man., VII, p. 26, pl. 7, fig. 27.

Localité. — Iles Marquises (Hinds).

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Tessellata (Terebra), Gray. Proc. Zool. Soc., 1834, p. 61, 26

T. TESSELLATA, Gray. Pl. 7, figs. 27, 19.

Shell whitish, with two rows of oblong chestnut or chocolate spots; whorls concavely flattened, decussated by fine ridges, the spiral ones stronger, suture bordered by two tuberculated bands.

Length, 35 mill. Marquesas (Hinds).

The description is drawn up from *T. ligata*, Hinds (fig. 19), which appears to be the typical form. *T. tessellata*, Gray, no locality, is from a single specimen in the British Museum; the whorls are said to be smooth, but the resemblance to Hinds' species, over which it has priority of description, is striking.

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27. *Terebra tessellata* Gray. Thes. Conch., f. 124,