

Terebra (Strioterebrum) blanca new species

Plate 1, figs. 4, 5.

Shell acute-acuminate, the taper rather rapid; whorls numerous, about 11½ preserved on the holotype, straight to slightly concave in profile; each spire-whorl is rather wide, with a noticeably inclined suture; sutural fasciole pronounced and strongly noded although the ribbing elsewhere on the shell is weak; below the sutural fasciole the face of the whorl has 5 or 6, flattened, unequal spiral bands, the lowest band, next to the suture, a little noded and becoming more strongly so as it emerges from the suture and forms the periphery of the last whorl; on the base of the last whorl there are 6 additional, unequal spirals between the periphery and the siphonal fasciolar keel; the ribbing is weak to subobsolete, sinuated in the middle in harmony with the lines of growth; pillar long, straight, the beak a little twisted at the end; no columellar folds.

Length 56 mm., diameter 12.5 mm.

Length 44 mm., diameter 10 mm.

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We have 3 specimens of this very distinct species, recognized by its smooth pillar, straight canal, and elegant sculpture.

Occurrence.—Canoa formation, Punta Blanca. Type A.N.S.P. 13632.