

Terebra aff. T. formosana Yokoyama

Plate 19, figure 28

?Terebra formosana Yokoyama, 1928, Imp. Geol. Survey Japan Rept. 101, p. 26, pl. 1, fig. 6.

Only a fragment consisting of the last two whorls was obtained. Yokoyama states his species has "3 engraved spiral lines" whereas the present specimen has 7. However, 3 spirals, possibly 4, are more prominent than the rest and some variation might be allowed. The subsutural crinkles so prominent in Yokoyama's figure are only weakly developed on the Okinawan specimen. The columella has 1 blunt but prominent

The parietal callus is heavy and broad, a feature which Yokoyama's specimen does not show, but this character might be present only on a full-grown individual. The callus is similar to that of T. chlorata Lamarck (see Tryon, 1885, pl. 11, fig. 21), an Indian Ocean species which has only one prominent spiral groove.

Nomura (1935, p. 54) lists this species as being unrepresented in his Byoritzu collection, and there is nothing like it in the Hayasaka collection.

Distribution: Pliocene, (?Byoritzu beds) Formosa; Pleis-MAENEIL 18/68/14 tocene, (Yontan limestone) Okinawa.



