

Phylum Echinodermata

Class Asterozoa

Subclass Perischoechinozoa

Superorder Echinozoa

Order Echinozoa

Family Strongylocentrotidae

Strongylocentrotus purpuratus

Coloration: The test and spines are a distinct bright purple

Type of Urchin: Regular

Defining Characteristics:

- Has a double series of primary spines
- Average spine length is 10 mm long
- Juveniles are light green
- Spines are short and sharp
- The test is densely packed with spines
- Test diameter is 4 inches on average

Illustration

