

Phylum Echinodermata

Class Asteroidea

Subclass Perischoechinoidea

Superorder Atelostomata

Order Spatangoida

Suborder Hemiasterina

Family Schizasteridae

Brisaster latifrons

Coloration: All shades of brown

Type of Urchin: Heart Urchin

Defining Characteristics:

- On average 60 mm wide
- On average 70 mm long
- On average 30 mm high
- Petaloids deeply sunken
- Anterior petaloids long almost reaching margins of test
- Posterior petaloids shorter
- Anterior portion of test deeply notched
- Spines not sharp

Illustration

