

VOUCHER SHEET

Aglaja inermis (Cooper, 1862)

Aglajidae

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Synonyms:

Strategus inermis Cooper, 1862

Navarchus inermis (Cooper, 1862); Cooper, 1863

Doridium purpureum Bergh, 1893

Navanax inermis (Cooper, 1862); Pilsbry, 1895

Aglaja bakeri MacFarland 1924; Gosliner & Williams 1972

Chelidonura inermis (Cooper 1862); Marcus & Marcus 1970a

Aglaja inermis (Cooper 1862); Rudman 1974

Important Characters:

Its internal shell is covered with a fleshy tan to black notum with longitudinal yellow stripes along the edge of the parapodia. Variable yellow and blue spotting occurs over remainder of body. Two distinctive color phases have been noted, one having bold spots, the other having many smaller diffuse spots.

Size: 75 to 225 mm.

Radula absent.

Comments:

Natural History: This animal abounds in mudflats and bays and feeds voraciously on paper bubbles, Haminoea spp.

Range: Monterey Bay, California to Laguna Manuela, Mexico. Also throughout Gulf of California; Nyarit, Mexico, Bay of Panama.



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Shell of Aglaja inermis (from Marcus 1961)