

ASR Scorpions of SA Hadogenes











Hadogenes gunningi

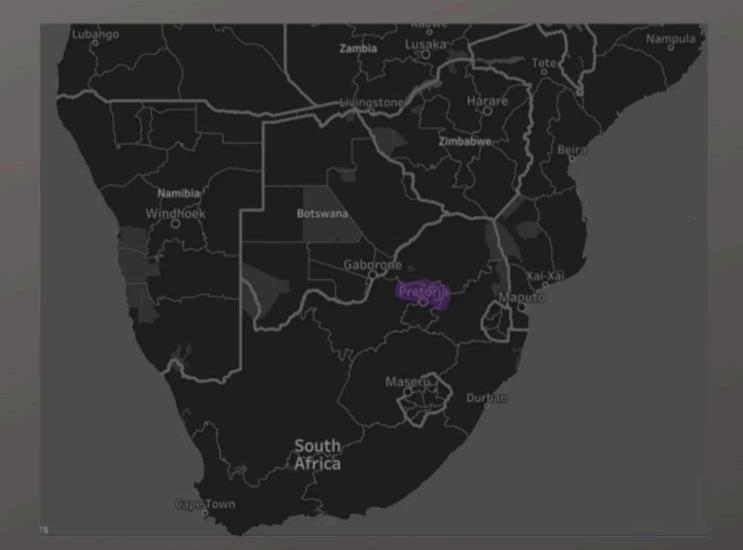




Male



Female



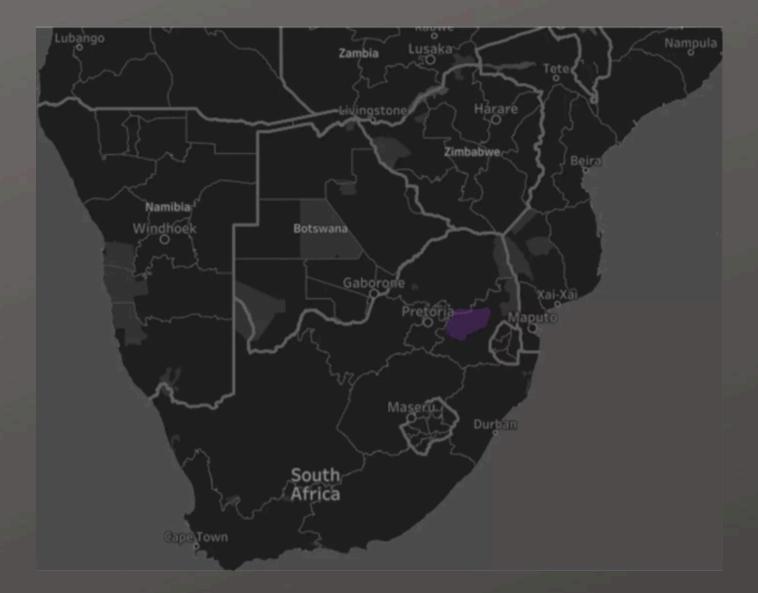
- A flat dark brown to black scorpion reaching with females about 80 mm and males up to 110 mm.
- Tail segments are latterly compressed and elongated.
- Males have long tails and are matt in colour.
- Females are glossy and have much shorter tails than males.
- Sometimes confused with other species such as Hadogenes gracilis and Hadogenes troglodytes.
- Occurs on the Magaliesberg mountains in Gauteng and rocky outcrops where it seeks shelter underneath rocks and between rock crevices.
- This is not a medically important species.
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Hadogenes longimanus









- A large scorpion around 120-130 mm in size.
- Dark brown to deep brown in colour.
- The legs are light brown in colour.
- Tergites are smooth and a smooth carapace.
- The hands are very flat and large and fingers shorter in length than the hands.
- Hands are very finely granulated.
- Smooth tail segments with a light brown telson.
- Males are matt with elongated tail segments.
- Females are glossy with short tail segments.
- Occurs in the Bronkhorstspruit area.
- Typical species on sandstone koppies, where it seeks shelter under rocks and in crevices.
- This is not a medically important species

Hadogenes minor

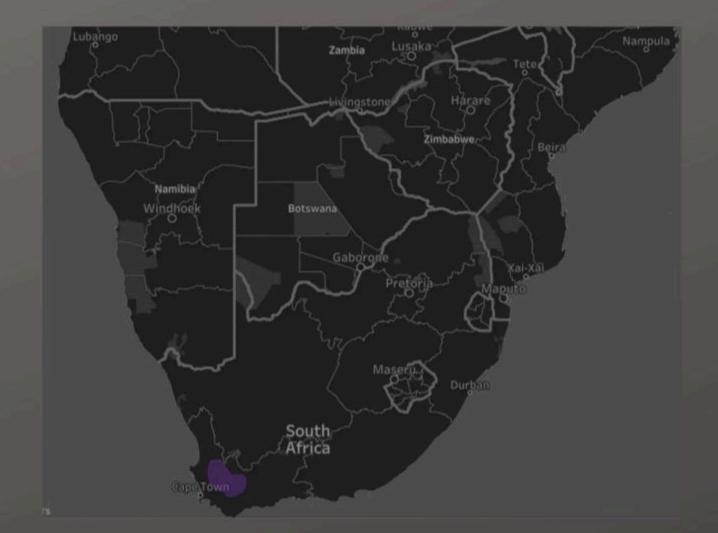




Male



Female



- A dark brown and flat species of scorpion.
- Males reaching a size up to 110 mm and females slightly smaller.
- · Tail segments are elongated.
- Occurs in the western parts of the Western Cape Province.
- Can be found in rock crevices of the Cape Mountains and also under rocks.
- Males are matt with long tail segements and spinose granulation on tail segment IV and I.
- Females are glossy with short tail segements and segments IV and V being smooth.
- Sometimes confused with the two Opisthacanthus species occurring in the Western Cape.
- This is not a medically important species

Hadogenes trichiurus





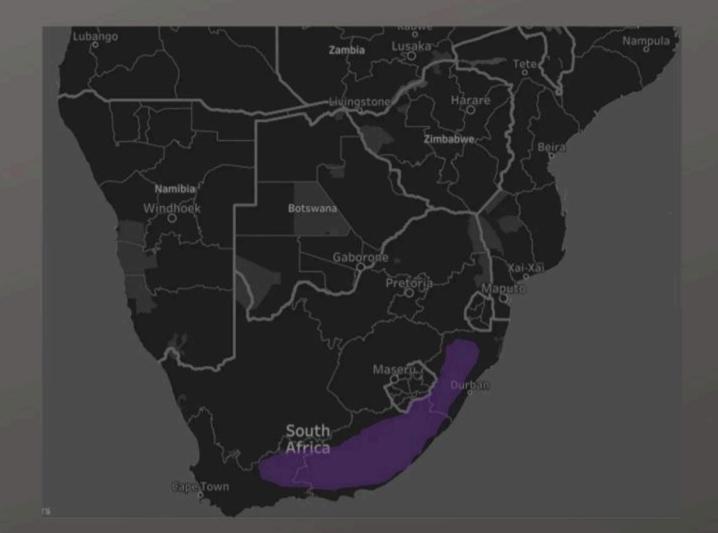
Hadogenes trichiurus pallidus (Female



Hadogenes trichiurus graciloides (Male)



Hadogenes trichiurus graciloides (Female

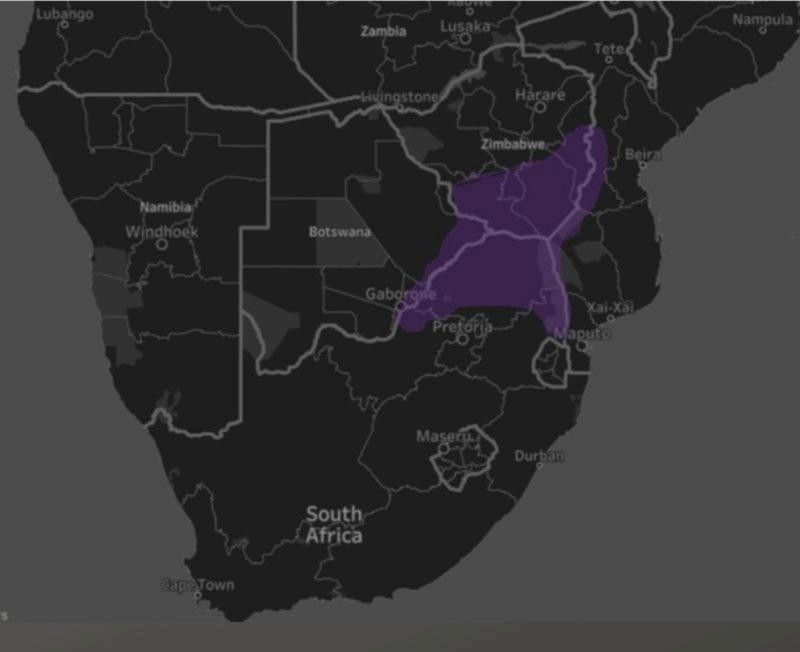


- A fairly large scorpion, males reaching up to 170 mm. A light brown to dark brown with lighter legs.
- It has a big distribution ranging from KwaZulu-Natal and most of the Eastern Cape.
- Six subspecies are known, but needs classification on some.
- Males have very long tails and are matt in colour.
- Females are glossy with shorter tails.
- The KwaZulu-Natal subspecies are often confused with Hadogenes zuluanus, but to differentiate between the two, one needs to look at the thrichobothrium on the inside of the hands, where Hadogenes zuluanus will have one and Hadogenes trichiurus pallidus will have two.
- A very common key to Hadogenes trichiurus group is the spines on the second and third tail segment.
- Can be found in rock crevices on mountainous areas and koppies.
- This is not a medically important species

Hadogenes troglodytes







- A large dark brown scorpion with males reaching 210 mm
- Has a dark brown to deep brown body with light brown legs and sometimes light brown hands
- Tergites have dentation present from I -VII
- Tail segment I is ventrally pressed and hands are smooth with a granular keel present
- Hands and fingers are the same in lenght
- Males have very long tails and are matt in colour
- Females are glossy and have short tails
- Occurs in the Limpopo province, Lowveld and southern Zimbabwe
- This is not a medically important species, and the sting is nothing more than an itch