Striped Lesser-Thicktail
(Uroplectes lineatus)

A small scorpion under 5 cm with the tail extended. It ranges from yellow to orange with a dark marking down the back to dark brown and black with lighter legs and pincers. The tail usually has a darker last segment and a light tipped sting. The pincers are usually dark with light tips.

In South Africa it is only found from St Francis in the Eastern Cape along the coast to Cape Town and then inland into the Cederberg. It is found under rocks and debris often on hard soils. It is also active on warm nights.

It may be confused with other Lesser Thick-tailed Scorpions. The sting of this species may cause pain but is not medically important.