



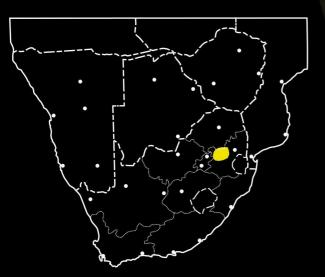
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Long-handed Rock Scorpion

(Hadogenes longimanus)



Maximum size 13 cm



A large scorpion of around 13 cm with the tail extended. This species is usually tan to brown in colour often with a lighter telson (stinger) and pale legs.

It is endemic to South Africa and known from around Kranspoort and the ridges around Emalahleni.

It lives in rock cracks in rocky areas, koppies and mountains, sometimes taking refuge in rock exfoliations. It may be confused with other flat rock scorpions.

The venom is of little importance to humans with a slight stinging sensation, less than a bee sting in strength.



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