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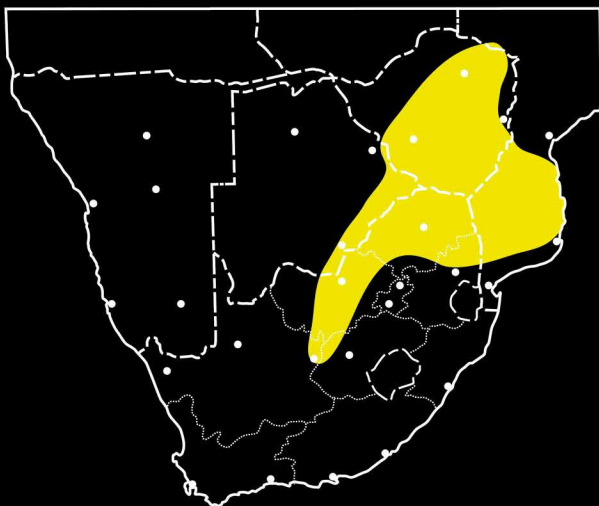
Mozambique Thicktail (*Parabuthus mossambicensis*)

A medium sized scorpion of around 8 cm with the tail extended. Individuals are usually light yellow to orange sometimes with a darker back. It occupies burrows or hides under debris during the day often in red sand bushveld areas. It is known from Limpopo, Northwest and Northern Cape provinces in South Africa and then north into Zimbabwe, Botswana and western Mozambique.

It is similar in colour to the Kalahari Thicktail Scorpion, but usually smaller in size. The venom of this species is considered dangerous, and stings should be treated in hospital. Antivenom is not effective for the sting of this species.



Maximum size
8 cm



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