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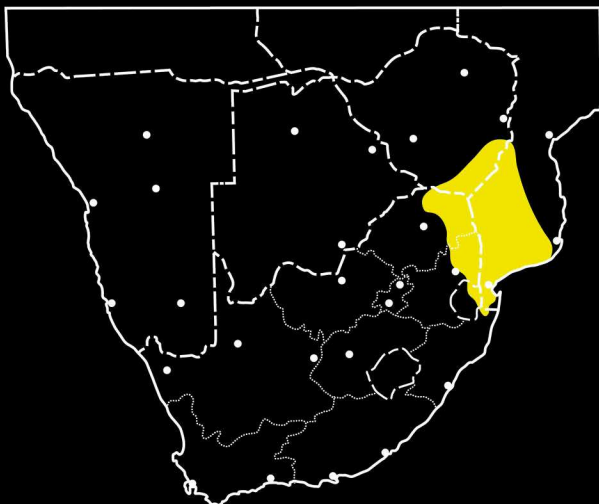
MILDLY VENOMOUS

Olive Lesser-thicktail (*Uroplectes olivaceus*)

A small scorpion under 5 cm with the tail extended. A black to dark blue/olive scorpion with light banded legs and pincer. The joints of the legs and tips of the pincers are usually light yellow to orange. It is found from around Hluhluwe in KZN, through eSwatini and eastern Mpumalanga to Limpopo and into Zimbabwe and Mozambique. It is found under rocks and debris as well as the bark of trees or seen active on warm nights. It may be confused with other lesser-thicktail scorpions, especially the Yellow-green Lesser-thicktail and the dark form of the Highveld Lesser-thicktail. The sting of this species may cause pain but is not medically important.



Maximum size
5 cm



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