



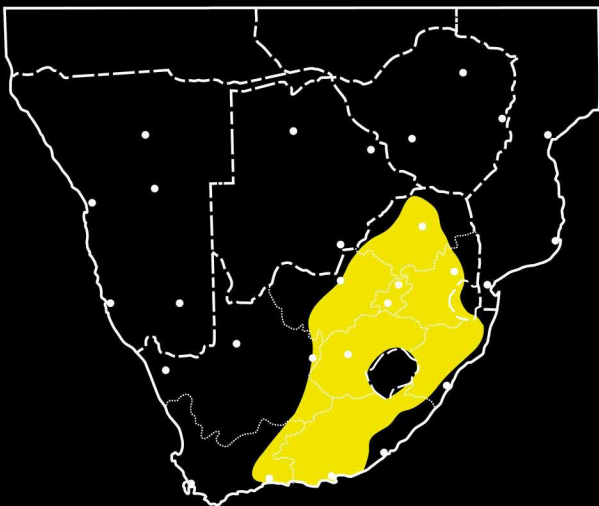
MILDLY VENOMOUS

Highveld Lesser-thicktail (*Uroplectes triangulifer*)

A small scorpion under 5 cm with the tail extended. An orange to yellow scorpion with a dark back. The arms are usually dark with yellow-tipped pincers. The tail and legs are also yellow with the last segment of the tail being dark. Can occur in a dark black/blue variation with red legs, often in high altitude areas of Mpumalanga. Probably one of the most common scorpion species in South Africa, widely spread in grasslands. Occurs in the Free State, Mpumalanga, Gauteng, North-west and Limpopo. It is found under rocks and debris usually on hard soils. The sting of this species is painful but is not medically important.



Maximum size
5 cm



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