

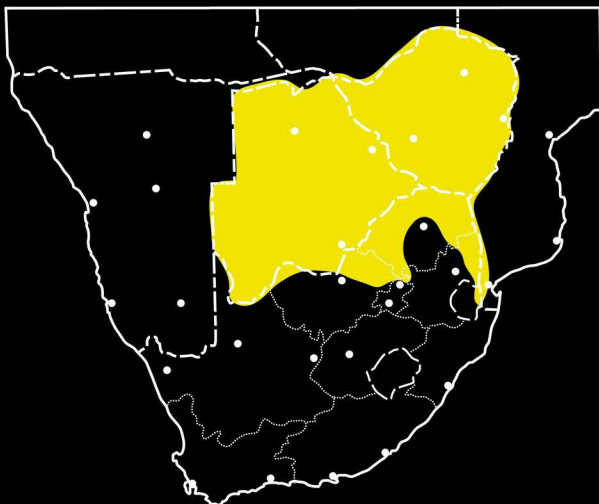
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## Eastern Bark Scorpion (*Uroplectes vittatus*)



Maximum size  
6 cm



A medium to small scorpion under 6 cm with the tail extended. A light yellow to orange scorpion with a darker back, usually with series of pale-yellow spots down the centre of the back. There is often a dark V-shaped mask from the eyes to the mouth parts.

In South Africa it is found in the North-west, Limpopo and Mpumalanga into eastern eSwatini. It occurs into Botswana and Zimbabwe. It is found largely under the bark of trees. It is also active on warm nights. It may be confused with other lesser-thicktail scorpions, especially the Highveld Lesser-thicktail. The sting of this species is painful but is not medically important.



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