

Land snails *Sarika resplendens* feeding on frog carcass

Subjects: *Sarika resplendens* (Mollusca: Gastropoda: Ariophantidae);
Unidentified frog, probably *Fejervarya limnocharis* (Amphibia: Anura: Dicroglossidae).

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Location, date and time: Pulau Tekong, reclaimed land at the south; 7 July 2012; 2125 hrs.

Habitat: Scrubland, clay-sand substrate.

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Observation: Eight examples of *Sarika resplendens*, the largest about 1.5 cm in shell width, were observed nibbling on the carcass of a small frog. See accompanying photograph.

Remarks: The cause of the frog's death is not known, but it is not likely to have been killed by the snails, which appeared to be scavenging.

Although *Sarika resplendens* is known to be herbivorous and detritivorous, it has apparently not been recorded to consume animal flesh (Tan et al., 2012).

Reference: Tan S. K., Chan S. Y. & G. R. Clements, 2012. *A Guide to Snails and other Non-marine Molluscs of Singapore*. Singapore Science Centre. 176 pp.



Photograph by Kelvin K. P. Lim

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