

Tree snail *Amphidromus atricallosus temasek* at western Mandai

Subjects: *Amphidromus atricallosus temasek* (Mollusca: Gastropoda: Camaenidae).

Subjects identified by: Contributors.

Location, date and time: Singapore Island, Mandai Lake Road, compound of Night Safari; 22 May 2015; 1930 hrs.

Habitat: Young secondary forest fragment.

Observers: Marcus Chua and others.

Observations: An adult example of about 4.5 cm shell length with a white shell was seen on a leaf of a tree about 2 m off the ground (see accompanying picture). Another example of similar size, but with a yellow shell was seen nearby, about 0.5 m off the ground.

Remarks: This appears to be the first confirmed record of a white-shelled *Amphidromus atricallosus temasek* on Singapore Island. White-shelled examples of this species were previously only known from Pulau Ubin and Pulau Tekong (Tan & Xu, 2013; Tan et al., 2015). Populations comprising animals with shells that are either yellow or white are hitherto known only from Pulau Tekong (Tan et al., 2015). This seems to be the first observation of a population of snails with yellow or white shells on Singapore Island. It is also the first published record of *Amphidromus atricallosus temasek* in western Mandai.

References:

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