

## Tree snail *Amphidromus inversus* at Tyersall forest

**Subject:** *Amphidromus inversus* (Mollusca: Gastropoda: Camaenidae).

**Subject identified by:** Contributor.

**Location, date and time:** Singapore Island, Tyersall Woods off Tyersall Avenue; 23 July 2014; 2000 hrs.

**Habitat:** Secondary forest with swampy pools.

**Observer:** Contributor.

**Observation:** One adult individual of approximately 4 cm shell length, was observed under a palm leaf at a height of about 3 m off the ground.

**Remarks:** In Singapore, the brown tree snail is known only from the Botanic Gardens, and is regarded as 'critically endangered' (Chou & Tan, 2008: 57). However, Tan et al. (2012: 124) are unsure of its actual status for the only population seems confined to a disturbed area, and may have been introduced. Although the present find is separated from the only known population by one street, it is a new location for this species in Singapore.

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