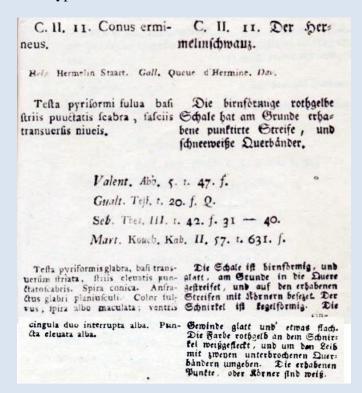
Conus ermineus Born, 1778



Lectotype NMWC



Translation: The shell is pear-shaped, and smooth, the base with transverse striae and its raised ridges studded with beads. The spire is conical. The whorl tops are smooth and somewhat flat. The ground colour is brownish. The spire is mottled white and reddish brown, the whorl reddish brown with two broken transverse white bands. The raised ridges are white

This West African species is seldom recorded from Angola but is to be found mainly in the northern part of the coast. However specimens from Limagens are recorded by Röckel & Fernandes as sympatric with *C. lineopunctatus*(*C. guttatus*). Christfried Schönherr reports that he has found single specimens at Corimba(4-5m), Equimina and Limagens at 5m depth.

Two specimens ex Meyer collection from Luanda are illustrated in the Encyclopedia of Shells (www.conchology.be)





Luanda 55mm

Luanda 54mm

Three specimens from the collection of Antonio Monteiro.







69mm Angola



63mm Angola



C.ermineus Limagens 49mm JMJ coll.

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