

***Conus lobitensis* Kaicher, 1977**



Lectotype USNM

Kaicher believed erroneously that Paes da Franca had described the shell. Initially the Kaicher cards were regarded as invalid descriptions. However, a decision by ICZN confirmed their validity. *C. lobitensis* is now accepted in Worms as a valid species.

The Kaicher description is short: “White with a very distinctive dark brown pattern; to approx 20mm”

Rosenberg & Petit, 2003 designated the type locality as Armado Bay, Moçamedes, Angola based on the original label from Ed Petuch collection. No such locality is recognisable. Perhaps it is a reference to Chapeu Armado, Namibe

The species is similar to *C. fuscolineatus* but with shorter spiral lines and a lighter aperture. *C. lobitensis* has been treated in several publications as a synonym of *C. fuscolineatus*. Specimens are shown under the name *C. fuscolineatus* in Monnier et al, 2018



Monnier et al. as *C. fuscolineatus* 3 Sao Nicolau, 4. Baia Farta

Other potential specimens are found with the pattern and varying amounts of purple in the aperture.



Baia Azul GM



Baia Farta GM



Equimina

See *C. fuscolineatus* for comparison.

DNA Analysis: No specimens have been recorded.

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