

5. *gracilis* (White)

- Xylotoles gracilis* White (1846), Voy. Ereb. Terr. Ins., p. 22.
Stenellipsis gracilis Bates (1874), *Ann. Mag. Nat. Hist.* (4) 14, p. 125.
Stenellipsis (Xylotoles) gracilis Broun (1880), *Man. N.Z. Col.*, 1, p. 604.
Stenellipsis gracilis Breuning (1951), *Bull. Inst. Roy. Sc. Nat. Belg.*, 27, 32, p. 13.

Very elongate. Antennae a third longer than the body, scape fairly long, third segment as long as the fourth. Antenniferous tubercles little projecting. Inferior lobes of eyes a little higher than the cheeks. Front as high as broad. Pronotum scarcely transverse, rounded on the sides, with two fine transverse grooves, one anterior and one posterior. Scutellum semicircular. Elytra very long, a little broader than pronotum, rounded at the apex, each with a sutural stria beginning at the end of the basal quarter, and several fine punctures on the basal quarter in the sutural half. Last abdominal segment with two fairly long lateral apical spines. Shoulders well developed. Metasternum of normal length.

Red, covered with a fine greyish yellow pubescence. Remaining denuded are numerous very small circular spots on the elytra, and on each elytron a transverse band originating in the middle of the lateral border and broadening greatly towards the suture, as well as a fairly large elongate preapical subsutural spot.

Length 6–8 mm, width 1.5–2 mm.

Described by White on specimens from New Zealand: Port Nicholson—Auckland, Tairua, Whangarei (Broun).

6. *sculpturata* (Broun)

- Hybolasius sculpturatus* Broun (1915), *N.Z. Inst. Bull.* 1, p. 341.
Stenellipsis sculpturata Breuning (1951), *Bull. Inst. Roy. Sc. Nat. Belg.*, 27, 32, p. 16.

Very elongate. Antennae scarcely longer than the body, scape fairly long, third segment as long as the fourth. Antenniferous tubercles scarcely projecting. Inferior lobes of eyes a little higher than the cheeks. Front as broad as high. Pronotum scarcely transverse, strongly rounded on the sides, with two fine transverse grooves, one anterior and one posterior. Scutellum semicircular. Elytra long, noticeably broader at the base than the pronotum, rounded at the apex and with fairly numerous very fine punctures on the basal third. Shoulders well developed. Metasternum of normal length.

Red, covered with fine reddish pubescence. Head, pronotum except its anterior border and its extreme posterior border as well as a very large circumscutellar spot on the elytra, of black colour and clothed with fine light grey pubescence. On each elytron a narrow postmedian band of whitish pubescence runs back obliquely from the suture towards the lateral border, the apical part as well as two lateral spots, one posthumeral and one median clothed with whitish grey pubescence. Apical third of tibiae slightly darkened.

Length 7 mm, width 2 mm.

Described by Broun on a specimen from New Zealand: Mount Hutt, 1,500 m altitude.

7. *linearis* (Bates)

- Psilocnaeia linearis* Bates (1874), *Ann. Mag. Nat. Hist.* (4) 14, p. 126.
Psilocnaeia linearis Broun (1880), *Man. N.Z. Col.*, 1, p. 606.
Stenellipsis linearis Breuning (1951), *Bull. Inst. Roy. Sc. Nat. Belg.*, 27, 32, p. 15.

Very elongate and narrow. Antennae a little longer than the body (♂) or a little shorter (♀), scape not very long, third segment as long as the fourth. Antenniferous tubercles little raised. Inferior lobes of eyes more than twice as high as the cheeks. Front much broader than high. Pronotum a little longer than broad, fairly strongly rounded on the sides, with two fine transverse grooves, one