Genus Pisidium Pfeiffer, 1821

Subgenus Euglesa Leach in Jenyns, 1832

Diagnostic features

Classification
Class Bivalvia
Subclass Heteroconchia
Superorder Heterodonta
Order Cardiida
Superfamily Sphaeroidea
Family Sphaeriidae
Subfamily Pisidiinae

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Subgenus Euglesa Jenyns, 1832

Type species: Euglesa henslowiana Jenyns, 1832 (= Pisidium personatum Malm, 1855) (also sometimes cited as Tellina pusilla Gmelin, 1791)


Type locality: Near Cambridge, England.

Synonyms: Australpera Iredale, 1943; Glacipisum Iredale, 1943

State of taxonomy
We follow the latest revision of the group by Korniushin (2000).

Biology and ecology
In rock and gravel substrate, amongst weed, and in sand and mud. Most frequent in creeks and small rivers. In South Australia and Tasmania it also inhabits springs, peat bogs, lakes and lagoons.

Distribution
Cosmopolitan. In Australia, the genus is found throughout much of south-eastern Australia, including Tasmania, as well as in Central Australia.

Further reading
Notes
The nature of the evolutionary relationship of *Pisidium (Euglesa) tasmanicum* to the rest of this subgenus is uncertain.

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