



## *Pseudopotamis semoni* Martens, 1894

### Diagnostic features

This species has a black, trunk-like shell with rounded whorls and



*Pseudopotamis semoni* (adult size to 21 mm).



Map of northern Cape York Peninsula/Torres Strait showing distribution of *Pseudopotamis semoni*.

prominent spiral grooves over the whorl surface.

### Classification

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Class Gastropoda

Infraclass Caenogastropoda

Megaorder Cerithiimorpha

Order Cerithiida

Superfamily Cerithioidea

Family Pachychilidae

Genus *Pseudopotamus* Martens, 1894

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*Type locality:* Hammond Island, Torres Strait, Queensland.

## Biology and ecology

Lives in freshwater ponds.

## Distribution

Hammond Island, Torres Strait, Queensland.

## Further reading

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