

Utterbackia imbecillis PAPER PONDSHELL



large, thin, inflated shell, umbo broad, flat, inflated and typically not elevated above hinge line; low dorsal wing, posterior slope flat, periostracum smooth, shiny, yellow green to greenish-brown juv. may have weak rays, darker on posterior slope; nacre pearly-white; pseudocardinal and lateral teeth absent. length: 4-12 cm width: 1-4 cm

Villosa lienosa LITTLE SPECTACLECASE



ing dark brown to blackish with age, subadults with dark green rays; nacre purple-white; pseudocardinal teeth small 2 parallel teeth in left valve, 1 compressed rounded tooth in right valve; laterial teeth short, 2 in left valve and 1 in right.

Villosa vibex SOUTHERN RAINBOW



length: 3-10 cm width: 1-2 cm

Habitat; creeks, rivers in mod current; sand, clay and gravel

lifesize but can be larger



shell color varient - dark brown with faint rays

thin, slightly inflated shell, umbo broad, flat and elevated above hinge line; dorsal margin straight to convex, anterior margin rounded, periostracum smooth, shiny, brown to blackish with dark green rays, darker on posterior slope; nacre bluish-white; pseudocardinal teeth small compressed, blade like crests approx parallel to margin, two parallel teeth in left valve, anterior tooth larger, 1 tooth in right valve.

Villosa villosa

DOWNY RAINBOW





lifesize but can be larger



thin, inflated shell, umbo broad, inflated and elevated above hinge line; posterior margin broadly rounded to truncate; anterior rounded; periostracum smooth to hairy, dull, brown, greenish to black, may have dark green rays; nacre blue-white; pseudocardinal teeth small, compressed, 2 teeth in left valve, 1 in right valve.

length: 3-9 cm width: 1-2 cm

habitat: spring fed creeks, rivers, lakes, reservoirs; in clear, tannic, turbid waters, sand and mud, also sand and fine gravel in creeks and rivers.

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