

## Virginia Land Snails

### *Euconulus fulvus* (Müller, 1774)

Family: Euconulidae  
Common name: Brown Hive

#### Identification

Width: 3 mm  
Height: 2.5 mm  
Whorls: 5+

The shell of *Euconulus fulvus* has a very large body whorl, measuring over half the shell's full height, with a rounded margin (Pilsbry, 1946). The shell aperture is wide and rounded. The radial microsculpture on the shell is strong compared to other species, especially on the relatively large nuclear whorl. Faint spiral lirae may also be seen on the glossy surface.

#### Ecology

*Euconulus fulvus* can be found in moist leaf litter (Hubricht 1985).

#### Taxonomy

Synonyms for *E. fulvus* include *Conulus chersina*, *C. fabricii*, *Euconulus trochiformis*, *Helix egena*, *H. fulva*, *H. mortoni*, and *Zonites (Conulus) fulvus*.

#### Distribution

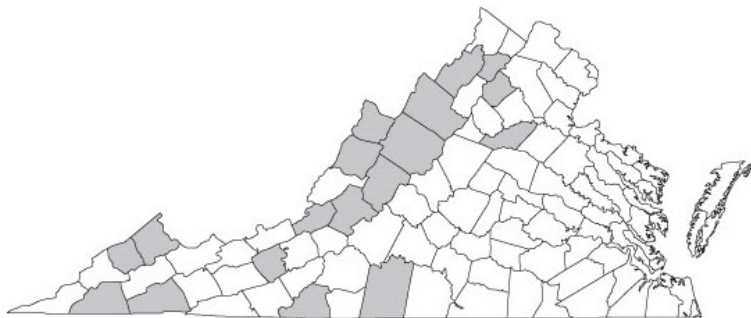
*Euconulus fulvus* is found across the upper Midwest of the United States and Canada, east to New England and the Canadian Maritimes, and south in the Appalachian Mountains to northern Alabama. In Virginia it is found in the western half of the state (Hubricht, 1985).

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#### Range Map



Photo(s): *Euconulus fulvus* shell, showing the height of the final whorl greater than half the entire shell height, by Larry Watrous ©.

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