

**North Carolina Shell Club
Silent Auction II
17 September 2021
Western Park Community Center
Cedar Point, North Carolina**

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Special Silent Auction Catalogs I & II

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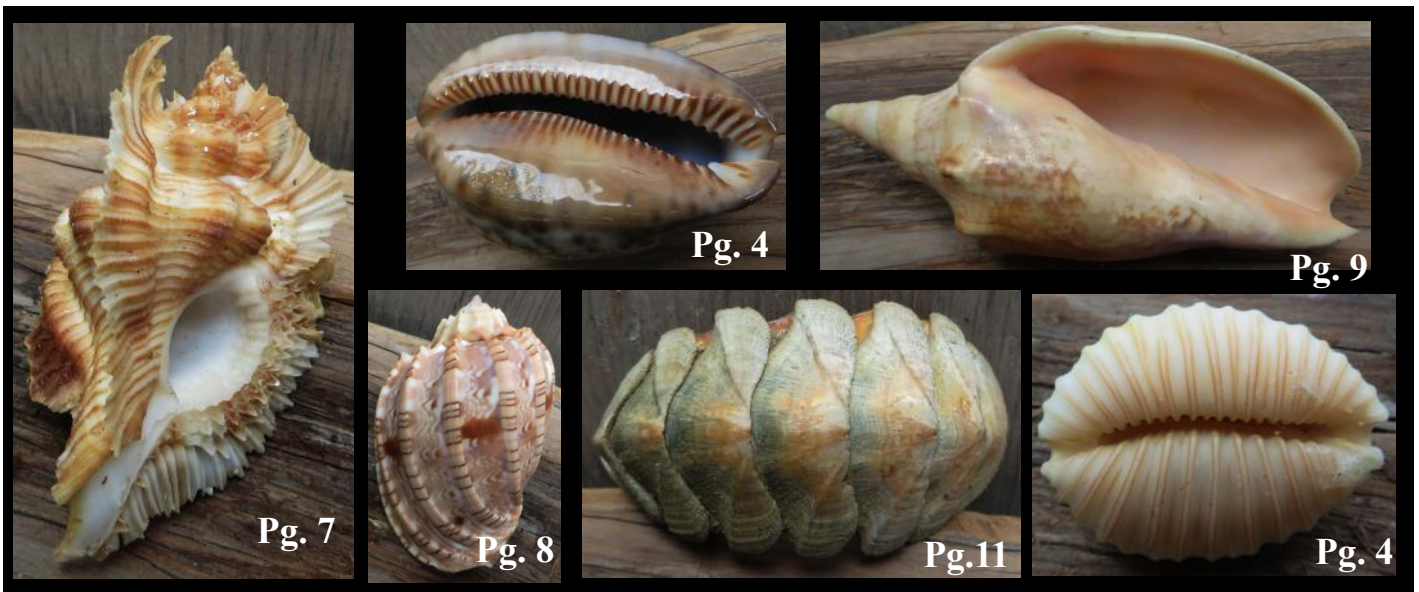
This is the second of two silent auctions North Carolina Shell Club is holding since the Covid-19 pandemic started.

During the pandemic the club continued to receive donations of shells. Shells Featured in the auctions were generously donated to North Carolina Shell Club by Mique Pinkerton, the family of Admiral Jerrold Michael, Vicky Wall, Ed Shuller, Jeanette Tysor, Doug & Nancy Wolfe, and the Bosch family.

North Carolina Shell Club members worked countless hours to accurately confirm identities. Collections sometimes arrive with labels and shells mixed. Scientific classifications change. Some classifications are found only in older references. Original labels are included with the shells where possible. Classification herein reflect the latest reference to WoRMS.

Some Details

There will be two silent auctions on September 17. There are some very cool shells in this and the first auctions. Some are shells not often available in the recent marketplace. There are “classics” and the out of the ordinary. There is something here for everyone.



Bid well and often



Roe's Abalone

Haliotis roei Gray, 1826
West Australia 105.7mm



Ruber Abalone

Haliotis rubra ruber Leach, 1814
New South Wales, Australia
120.2mm



Delphinula Collection

Common Delphinula

Angaria delphinus (Linnaeus, 1758) (3 shells) formerly *incisa* (Reeve, 1843) top row

Philippines 30 – 35.6 – 40.8mm

Angaria delphinus (Linnaeus, 1758) (3 shells) w/op

Philippines 44.8 – 50.7 – 60.2mm bottom center & right

Imperial Delphinula, *Angaria melanacantha* (Reeve, 1842)



Wentletrap Collection

If anything, this collection is worth winning to get the labeling of this often very difficult Genus of shells to identify.

Epitonium scalarae (2 shells) 49.5mm

Epitonium varicosa Lamarck, 1822 w/op (2 shells) 38.1 – 40.5mm

Epitonium greenlandica (Perry, 1811) (2 shells) 25.1 – 30.3mm

Cirostrema zeleborei (Dunker, R. W. in Dunker, R. W. & Zelebor, 1866) 21mm

Epitonium liresulave (Sowerby, G. B. I., 1844) 28.1mm

Gyroscaia lamellosa (Lamarck, J. B. P. A. de, 1822) (3 shells) 17 – 24.3mm

Gyroscaia rupicola (Kurtz, J. D., 1860) 12mm

Amaea mitchelli (Dall, W. H., 1896) (3 shells) (dead taken) 25.6 – 43.6mm



Modest Star-shell (2 shells)

Bolma modesta (Reeve, 1843)

Japan 34.1 – 26.3mm

Japanese shells remain scarce to the Western market due to the popularity of shell collecting in Japan.



Kiener's Delphinula

Angaria sphaerula

(Kiener, 1838) (3 shells)

Off Punta Engano, Philippines
1993

20 – 28.5 – 40.1mm (including spines)



Girgyllus Star-shell

Bolma girgyllus (Reeve, 1861)

Punta Engano, Philippines
66.7mm

Always a popular species



Diana Conch (4 shells)
Euprotomus aurisdiana (Linnaeus, 1758)
Philippines 54.9 – 59.7mm

Plicate Conch
Canarium labiatum (Röding, 1798)
(3 shells)
No data, South Pacific 35 – 41.9mm



Three-knobbed Conch
Tricornis tricornis
([Lightfoot], 1786)
Saudi Arabia 114.2mm, (thin lip)

Vittate Conch
Doxander vittatus vittatus (Linnaeus, 1758)
Australia 65.2mm



Arabian Tibia
Tibia insulaechorab Röding, 1798
Muscat Oman, 133mm
ex. Bosch family



Shin-bone Tibia
Tibia fusus (Linnaeus, 1758)
Philippines 201mm



Atlantic Carrier Snail
Xenophora conchliophora
(Born, 1780)
Dominican Republic 62.6mm
(includes attachments)



Samar Conch
Tridentarius dentatus
(Linnaeus, 1758) (2 shells)
Philippines 50.3 – 55.1mm



Dog Conch
Laevistrombus canarium (Linnaeus, 1758)
Philippines 100.5mm
Extra-large specimen



Dark Onyx Cowrie (3 shells)
Erronea onyx (Linnaeus, 1758)
formerly subspecies *sucincta*
Oman 37.6 – 45.3mm



Lovely Cowrie (3 shells)
Luria pulchra (Gray, 1824)
Oman 35.2 – 38.4mm



Ventral Cowrie (2 shells)
Lyncina ventriculus (Lamarck, 1810)
Gaum 46.1 – 47.2mm



Mole Cowrie (2 shells)
Talapia talpa (Linnaeus, 1758)
Japan 48.8 – 53.5mm



(No Popular Name Found) (2 shells)
Erronea erronea (Linnaeus, 1758)
Philippines 29.9 – 33.4mm



Carnelian Cowrie (5 shells)
Lyncina carneola (Linnaeus, 1758)
No data, Philippines to Okinawa 26.1 – 39mm



Little Arabian Cowrie (9 shells)
Pseudozonaria arabicula (Lamarck, 1810)
Costa Rica 19.8 – 26.1mm



Beck's Cowrie (3 shells)
Naria beckii (Gaskoin, 1836)
Philippines 10.5 – 12mm
A former rarity



Measled Cowrie
Macrocypraea zebra
(Linnaeus, 1758)
Brazil 74.9mm



Three Cowrie Collection
Saul's Cowrie *Palmadusta saulae*
(Gaskoin, 1843) Philippines 27mm
Globular Cowrie *Pustularia globulus*
(Linnaeus, 1758) Philippines 20.9mm
Thrush Cowrie *Naria turdus* (Lamarck, 1810)
India 26.9mm



Granulated Cowrie
Nucleolaria granulata (Pease, 1863)
Hawaii 21.5mm
A Hawaiian endemic species that is always in demand.



Arabian Cowrie, "Giant" →
Mauritia arabica immanis
F. A. Schilder & M. Schilder, 1939
Available from old collections only in recent years. Typically immense compared to the nominal Arabian Cowries.
No Data, East Africa 84.4mm





Tiger Cowrie Young adult
Cypraea tigris Linnaeus, 1758
No data, Indo- Pacific 66mm
A bit misshapen



Tiger Cowrie *Cypraea tigris*
Linnaeus, 1758
No data, Indo- Pacific
85.3mm
Less common brown color



Humpback Cowrie (small)
Mauritia mauritiana (Linnaeus,
1758)
Philippines 60.3mm



Map Cowrie
Leporicypraea mappa
(Linnaeus, 1758)
Philippines 74mm Pink base



Hawaii Collection

Honey Cowrie *Naria helvolva* (Linnaeus, 1758) (3 shells)
17.2 – 26mm

Chick-pea Cowrie *Pustularia cicercula* (Linnaeus, 1758)
(4 shells) 13.9 – 17.5mm

Bubble Snail *Aplustruma aplustre* (Linnaeus, 1758)
(5 shells) 14.6 – 20mm



Beautiful Cowrie (2 shells)
Ficadusta pulchella (Swainson, 1823)
Philippines 23.2 – 31.9mm



Onyx Cowrie
Erronea onyx (Linnaeus, 1758)
Diego Garcia 39.7mm



Volva Collection (6 species)

Primovula rosewateri (C. N. Cate, 1973) (14 shells) 6.7 – 10.3mm

Crenavolva striatula (G. B. Sowerby I, 1828) (11 shells) 7.7 – 12.9mm

Phenacovolva brevirostris (Schumacher, 1817) 23.6mm

Aclyvolva lanceolata (G. B. Sowerby II, 1849) (3 shells) 14.9 – 17mm

Phenacovolva rosea (A. Adams, 1855) (4 shells) 22.2 – 25.6mm

Prosimnia semperi (Weinkauff, 1881) (2 shells) 7.5 – 10.5mm

Contracted Cowrie-helmet

Cypraeassis coarctata (G. B. Sowerby I., 1825)

(2 shells, 1 juvenile, 1 adult)

Sea of Cortez, Baja Mexico 32.3 – 35.1mm

An instructive pair comparing juvenile and adult shells.



Common Egg Cowrie (2 shells)

No data, Indo-Pacific

Ovula ovum (Linnaeus, 1758) 61.8mm

Ovula ovum (Linnaeus, 1758) 59mm misshapen shell



Red-mouth Frog Shell (3 shells)

Tutufa bufo (Röding, 1798)

Philippines 32.2 – 51.1 – 57.2mm



(No Popular Name found)

Korrigania quirhorai
(Beu, 1987)

Philippines 46.1mm



Pinnate Murex

Pterynotus alatus
(Röding, 1798)

Philippines 68.5mm

Nobel Frog Shell

Bursina nobilis (Reeve, 1844)

Punta Engano, Philippines 42.7mm



Giant Frog Shell

Tutufa bubo (Linnaeus, 1758)

No data Indo-Pacific 151.5mm

A nice shell for the mantelpiece or bookshelf

Lacinate Murex (2 shells)

Chicomurex laciniatus
(G. B. Sowerby II, 1841)

No data, Indo-Pacific 33.9 –
38.4mm



Trochel's Murex

Murex trocheli Lischke, 1868

No data, Indo-Pacific 131mm



Giant Eastern Murex

Hexaplex fulvescens
(G. B. Sowerby II, 1834)

w/op

No Data, SE USA 126.9mm



Rose-branch Murex

Chicoreus palmarosae (Lamarck, 1822)

Philippines 109.7mm

Ranzani's Triton

Cymatium ranzani (Bianconi, 1850)

Masira Is. Oman Ex. Bosch family 168mm

Ranzani's Triton is found throughout the general region of Oman and Horn of Africa though the historical significance of the Bosch family that collected this shell imbues it with an added value.

This is a fully mature example.



Club Murex

Pterynotus elongatus (Lightfoot, 1786) (4 shells)

Philippines & Hawaii 28.8 – 50.1 – 68.1 – 72.3mm



Zambo's Murex (2 shells)

Homalocantha zamboi

J. Q. Burch & R. L. Burch, 1960

Philippines, 33.3 – 46.7mm



Cabbage Murex

Hexaplex brassica (Lamarck, 1822)

No data, Mexico – Peru 108.1mm



Giant Forreria

Forreria belcheri (Hinds, 1844) w/op

Southern California 111.4mm

A fine example of this always sought after shell.



Thin-bladed Murex

Siratus tenuivaricosus (Dautzenburg, 1927) w/op

Brazil 92.6mm

A highly prized collector's item.

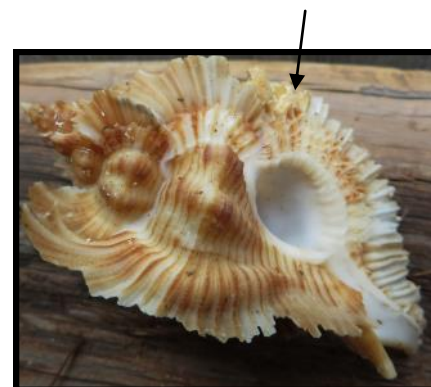


Endive Murex

Hexaplex cichoreum (Gmelin, 1791)

Philippines 106.4mm

Exceptional spines! The photographs do not do this shell justice. It appears as if intricately carved fossil ivory.



Miyokae's Murex

Chicoreus miyokoe (Kosuge, 1979)

Philippines 64.4mm

Be sure to note that the aperture varix has been "doctored" to replace part of a damaged wing.



Hirase's Murex (4 shells)

Vokesimurex hirasei (Dautzenberg in Hirase, 1915)

Philippines 46.4 – 75mm



West Indian Crown Conch

Melongena melongena (Linnaeus, 1758) (5 shells)

Margarita, Venezuela 53.1 – 82.5 – 95.5 – 94.3 – 112mm

Specimens with 3 or more rows of spines are especially prized. The shell sports a thick periostracum remaining on two of the shells.



Spiral Melongena

Volegalea cochlidium (Linnaeus, 1758)

No data, Indian Ocean to PI 105.5mm



Episcopal Miter

Mitra mitra (Linnaeus, 1758) (4 shells)

Bohol, Philippines 26 – 52.4 – 65.6 – 125.7mm

It's a classic shell still prized by the connoisseur. The lot includes a fully mature, large specimen. A seldom seen tiny, baby rounds out the lot.



Major Harp

Harpa major Röding, 1798

Philippines 81.9mm



Doris Harp

Harpa doris Röding, 1798

Off Dakar, Senegal 57.5mm



Panama Harp

Harpa crenata Swainson, 1822

Matzalon, Mexico 67.6mm

Lip is chipped



Giant Morum

Morum grande (A. Adams, 1855)

Philippines 49.8mm



Joel Green's Morum

Morum joelgreenei Emerson, 1991

Philippines 35.4mm



Moller's Volute

Amoria molleri (Iredale, 1936)

Queensland, Australia 61.7mm

This form not brought up in recent years



Princely Volute

Cymbiola aulica (G. B. Sowerby I, 1825)

Philippines 96.1mm

This volute was once a great rarity. Many of this variable species are now on the market. They maintain a commanding interest with collectors, many of whom include several color variations in their cabinets.



Brown-lined Volute

Harpulina lapanica loroisi
(Valenciennes, 1863)

Off Madras, India 87.4mm w/op



African Volute

Callipara africana (Reeve, 1856)

Dead col. off S. Africa 62.1mm



Prince Cone (3 shells)

Conus princeps (Linnaeus, 1758)

Gulf of California & Panama 46.6 – 63.7mm

Two gold form shells and an extra-large lined shell (on left)



Leaden Cone (2 shells)

Conus scabriusculus Dillwyn, 1817

Kwajelain 24 – 32.3mm

Shell collecting at this locality is now very restricted.



Arab Volute

Alcithoe arabica (Gmelin, 1791)

New Zealand 98.2mm



Asian Flame Volute

Fulgoraria rupestris (Gmelin, 1791)

Off Taiwan 94.3mm



Leaden Cone

Conus scabriusculus Dillwyn, 1817
(Pale form)

Kwajelain 17.9mm

Shell collecting at this locality is now very restricted



Pertusus Cone (2 shells)

Conus pertusus Hwass in Bruguière, 1792

Philippines 52.6 – 53.9mm Very large



Circumcision Cone (2 shells)

Conus circumcisis Born, 1778

Philippines 63.1 – 72mm



Distant Cone (2 shells)

Conus distans Hwass in Bruguière, 1792

Philippines 39.1 – 46.6mm



Marble Cone

Conus marmoreus Linnaeus, 1758

Philippines 69.9mm



Orbigny's Cone (5 shells)

Conasprella orbigny (Audouin, 1831)

Philippines 49 – 62.7mm



Imperial Cone

Conus imperialis Linnaeus, 1758

Philippines 74.7mm



Weasel Cone

Conus mustelinus

Hwass in Bruguiere, 1792

No data, Indo-Pacific 64mm



Hebrew Cone (4 shells)

Conus ebraeus Linnaeus, 1758

No data, Indo-Pacific 26.8 – 42.8mm



(No Popular Name Found) (2 shells)

Conus tribblei Walls, 1977

Philippines 55.5 – 57.9mm



Neptune Cone (2 shells)

Conus neptunus Reeve, 1843

Philippines 40.3 – 61.7mm



Thousand-spot Cone (2 shells)

Conus miliaris (Hwass in Bruguiere, 1792)

Gaum 18.3 - 18.7mm



Flag Cone

Conus vexillum Gmelin, 1791

No data, Indo-Pacific 90.1mm



Beech Cone

Conus betulinus Linnaeus, 1758

No data, Indo-Pacific 121.9mm

A big, heavy one.



Leopard Cone (2 shells)

Conus leopardis (Röding, 1798)

No Data, Indo-Pacific 102.5 – 125mm

Very nice examples



Ribbon Cone

Conus lemniscatus Reeve, 1849
w/op

India 30mm



Barber's Cone (3 shells)

Conus barbieri G. Raybaudi Massilla, 1995

Philippines 18.6 – 19.2mm



Magus Cone

Conus magus Linnaeus, 1758

No Data, Indo-Pacific 70.6mm

Very large and green specimen



Anemone Cone

Conus anemone Lamarck, 1810

Australia 74.8mm w/op



Tented Cones 2 species

Netted Cone (2 shells)

Conus retifer Menke, 1829

Okinawa 25.7 – 35.9mm

Textile Cone *Conus textile* Linnaeus, 1758

w/perio. Papua New Guinea 69.8mm



Ampulle Bulla

Bulla ampulla Linnaeus, 1758

Philippines 58mm Extra-large



Chiton (No Popular Name could be found)

Rhyssoplax torriana (Hedley & Hull, 1910)

Australia 68.2mm (length of entire specimen)



White Hammer Oyster

Malleus albus Lamarck, 1819

No Data – Indo-Pacific 186.7mm

It is hard to know how to measure this shell.

The dimension is the length of the main valves.

The wings of the hinge are equal in size.



Woody Canoe Bubble (2 shells)

Scaphander lignaria (Linnaeus, 1758)

Italy 47.8 – 54.6mm



Pearl Oyster

Pinctada margaritifera (Linnaeus, 1758)

Single valve with two attached pearls

No data Indo-Pacific 161.3mm

A great piece for the curiosity cabinet.



Striped Bubble Snail

Hydatina albocincta (van der Hoven, 1839)

Philippines 34.9mm



Buried Scallop (9 pairs)

Mimachlamys funebris (Reeve, 1853)

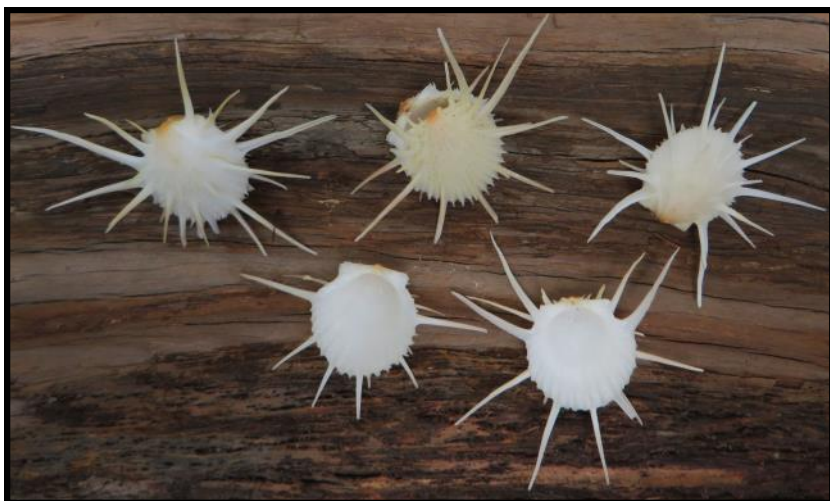
Australia 30 – 39.8mm A beautiful color series



Latiaxis (No Popular name found) (2 shells)

Babelomurex yumimarumai Kosuge, 1885

21mm No data, Pacific



Imperial Spiny Oyster (4 pairs)

Spondylus imperialis Chenu, 1844

Super spiny “babies”

Philippines 52.5mm average including spines



Budd’s Jewel Box

Chama buddiana C. B. Adams, 1852

Gulf of California 74mm

A nicely colored and fine specimen of this often rough species.



Lazarus Jewel Box

Chama lazarus Linnaeus, 1758

Philippines 53.5mm Nice fronds & color

