New distribution records for *Arthroips fasciata* (Erichson) (Coleoptera: Corylophidae)

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While curating the Coryphophidae in the Florida State Collection of Arthropods (FSCA) I came across a pair of strikingly marked *Arthrolips* from the Florida Panhandle. Shortly thereafter, I found another pair of apparently identical beetles from Taiwan. Examination of the spermathecae supported the conclusion that the two series represented the same species. Based on the illustrations of the spermatheca and habitus supplied by Bowestead (2003), both series are *A. fasciata* (Erichson). This species was described from Tasmania and has been recorded also from New South Wales and New Zealand, and recently (Bowestead 2003), as an immigrant, from France. Bowestead (2003) says that this species “...is at once recognisable by its distinct and handsome colouring, of red pronotum and dark elytra with bright red transverse median band...” (Fig. 1). This species seems to be associated with pines (Bowestead 2003).

Label data for the FSCA specimens are: “FLORIDA: Santa Rosa Co., 1 mi. N Holley on St. 87; 15-IV-1989 R. Woodruff, B. Beck & P. Skelley”, 2; “TAIWAN: Taoyuan County Upper Palin, Lalashan 11-18-VII-1996 J.B. Heppner, 1500m”, 2. They constitute new country records for the United States and Taiwan for *A. fasciata*.

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Figure 1. Habitus of *Arthrolips fasciata* (Erichson) from Taiwan.