Phylum Arthropoda
Class Malacostraca
Superorder Eucarida
Order Decapoda
Suborder Reptantia
Infraorder Brachyura
Family Pinnotheridae

**Pinnixa tubicola**

**Coloration:**

**Defining Characteristics:**

- Carapace flat or slightly convex
- Carapace twice as wide as long
- Carapace not strongly calcified
- **Chela fingers meet**
- Chelipeds small
- **Chela fingers hooked at tips**
- Fixed finger of chela not deflexed, but curved upward
- First pair of legs slender and shorter than second
- Third pair of legs longer and stronger than others
- Fourth pair or legs small but same shape as third
- **Posteroventral margin of ischium of P5 with out tubercles**
- P5 with out long setal fringe
- Dactylus shorter than propodus on P4

**Illustration**