

Araphura breviaria

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Class Malacostraca, Subclass Eumalacostraca, Order Tanaidacea, Family Anarthruridae

DIAGNOSTIC CHARACTERS:

Cephalothorax tapered towards the anterior end and posterior half w/ parallel sides.

Pereonites subquadrangular

Pereonites 2-5 w/irregular, slightly convex lateral borders.

★ **Pereonite 6 shortest of pereonal somites.**

First antenna 4 seg.

Mandible with pars molaris terminating in 7 pointed processes.

Cheliped palm bearing comb of 5 short setae.

Uropod “pseudobiramous” exopodite fused with basis.

Fused exopodite reaching beyond midlength of first endopodal segment and bearing 2 long lateral setae.

Short pleotelson.

ILLUSTRATION:

