

North Carolina Shell Club Oral Auction

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Appendix

Here are a couple lots we added to the auction. The book was donated by Bill Bennight. Bill advised me of the book well ahead of the genesis of the main catalog but I totally forgot he had it. Please accept my apologies to Bill, and potential bidders for the omission on my part.

The second lot came into our hands after the main catalog was in the pipeline. It is an example of one of those lots that is just too good to put off to the future. There is much interesting history associated with the lot.

Both lots will be included in the auction before we take a recess at the halfway point at Lot 60. Thus they are numbered **Lot 60a** and **Lot 60b**.

Look for them at the viewing Friday evening and on the block Saturday.

John Timmerman, Oral Auction Chair

\$1 - \$50 = \$1 minimum bid increments

\$50 - \$100 = \$5 minimum bid increments

\$100 - \$300 = \$10 minimum bid increments

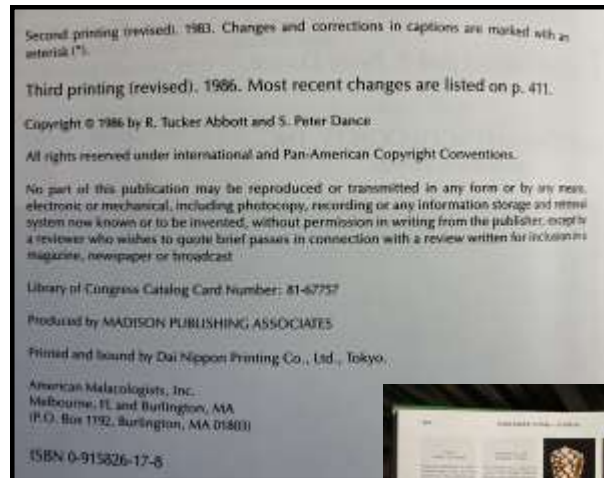
\$300+ = \$25 minimum bid increments



Two Large Shells

Courtesy of North Carolina Shell Club, Everett Long Collection

Presented is a pair of shells from the Long collection which unfortunately lost their collecting data. Both are far above the average specimen seen in the decorator trade, thus worthy additions to the bookshelf, especially the triton where having the operculum present is a bonus.



Lot 60a



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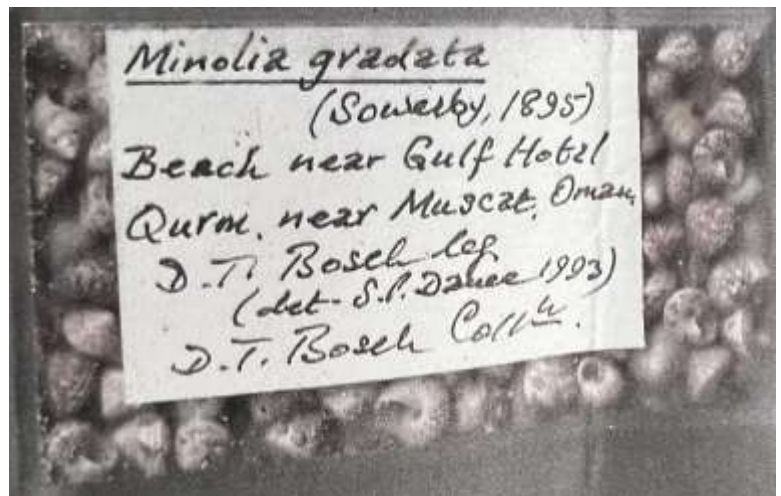
Book

Compendium of Seashells, 3rd Printing

Gift of Bill Bennight

No dust jacket. Book is in excellent condition. It's an ex-library book with a card holder on the inside cover.

If this book was ever checked out from the library where it resided, it was treated with lots of TLC. It really appears as though it was never opened. Had this book existed when I was growing up in the 1960's and the library had it, I would have had it checked out as frequently as allowed. I can imagine such a volume would have been classified as a reference, not allowed to be checked out. There were shell books in in that time period but none I can recall like this one. We do truly live in a wonderful time per access to literature on shells. This remains one of my go to books on worldwide shells.



Lot 60b

An Oman Shell collected by S. Peter Dance

Pseudominolia gradata (G. B. Sowerby III, 1895) formerly *Minolia*

Gift of Harold Brown

Including the hand written data tag by S. Peter Dance

S. Peter Dance visited Oman and worked with the Boschs on books about shells from that country.

He personally collected the shells offered in this lot on one of his visits. The lot includes the original data tag he penned for it. The shells were used in his research. He gave the lot to Donald Bosch. Donald Bosch subsequently gave them to Harold Brown.

Auction Shell Recognition

Test your shell-smarts!

The pictures on this and following pages are excerpts from lots featured in the main catalog. The page number where the lot is found is provided with each image. A key can be found on page 11.

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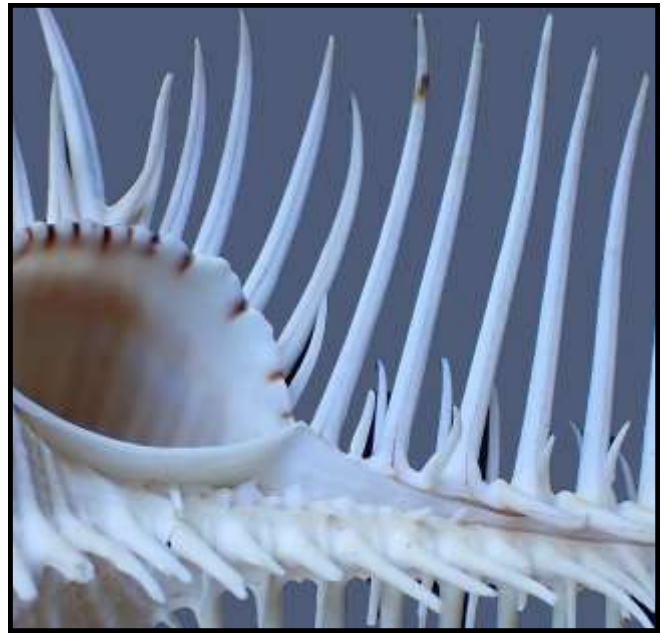


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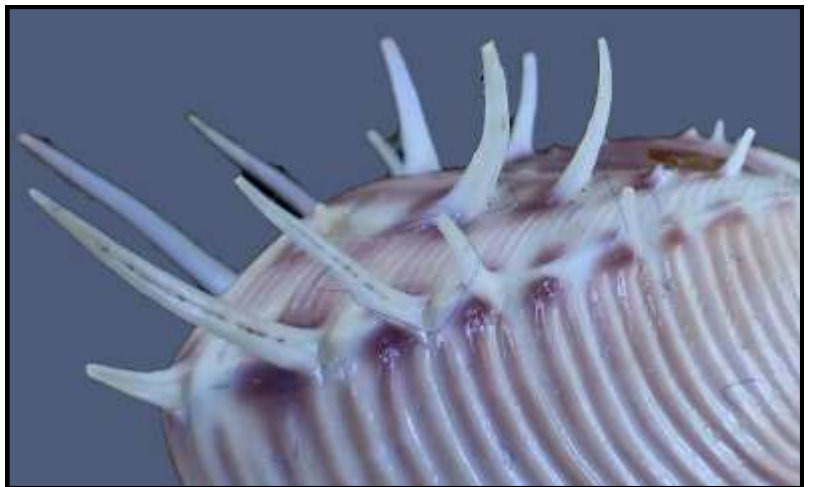
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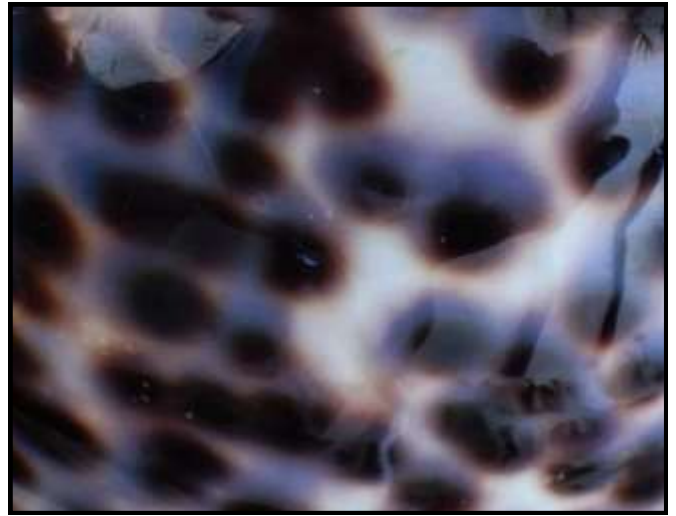


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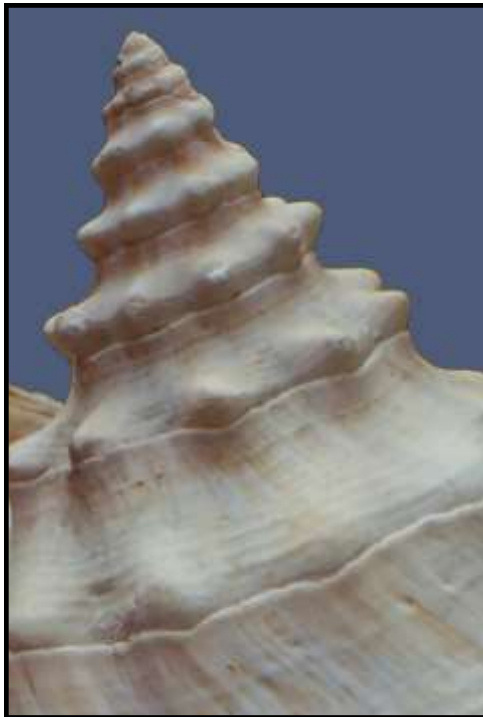
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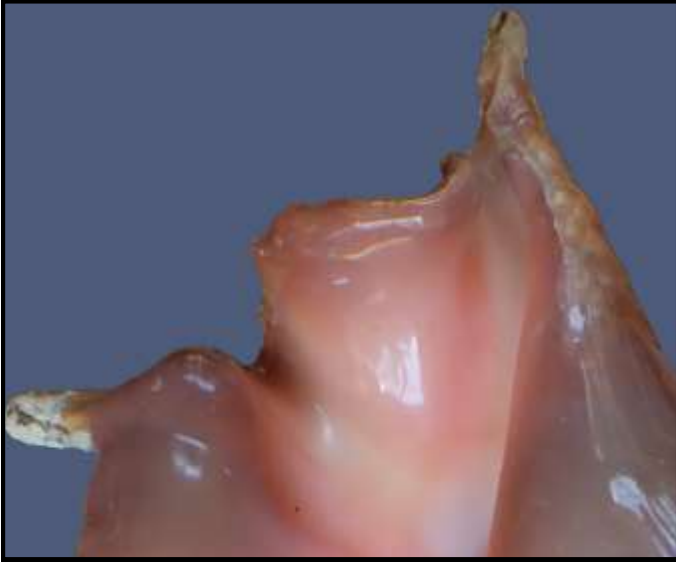


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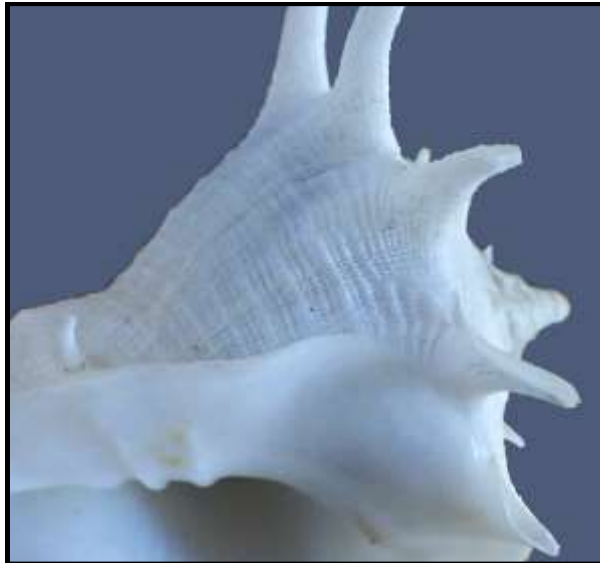
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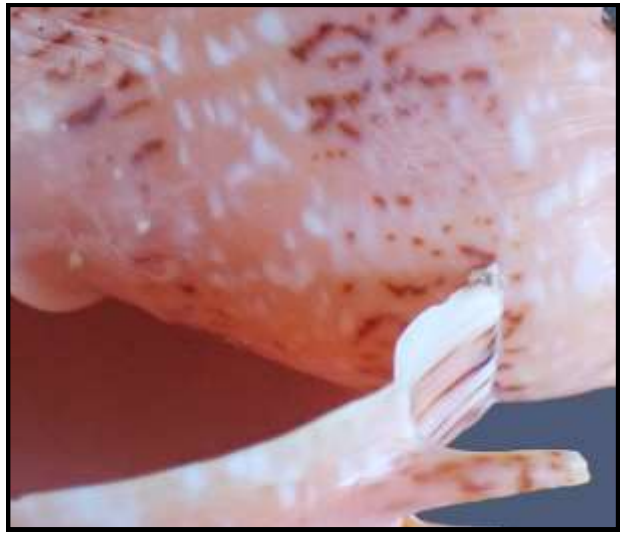


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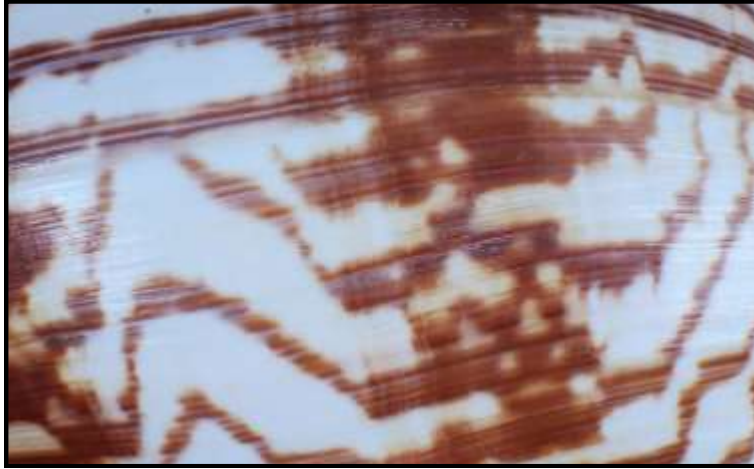
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Bonus challenge pictures. The pictures on this page are from images of the lots either not shown in the catalog or close up as to be extra-hard to know what the lot is.

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Test your shell-smarts Key

Plate 1

- Page 10:** Lot 31 Indian Chank Shell
Turbinella pyrum (Linnaeus, 1767)
Page 9: Lot 23, Court Volute
Cymbiola aulica (G. B. Sowerby I, 1825)
Page 26: Lot 99, Duprey's Volute
Calliotectum tibiaeforme (Kuroda, 1931)
Page 2: Lot 2, West Indian Chank
Turbinella angulata ([Lightfoot, 1786])
Page 7: Lot 20, Great Spotted Cowrie, 2 shells
Perisserosa guttata (Gmelin, 1791)

Plate 2

- Page 3:** Lot 4, Giant Frog Shell 2 shells
Tutufa bubo (Linnaeus, 1758)
Page 13: Lot 42, Venus Comb Murex
Murex pecten [Lightfoot], 1786
Page 15: Lot 47, Laurent's Moon Scallop, 2 shells
Euvola laurentii (Gmelin, 1791)
Page 24: Lot 88, Freshwater Snail
Pachymelania bryonensis (W. Wood, 1828)
Page 19: Lot 62, Bat Volute Color Forms, 22 Shells
Cymbiola vespertilio (Linnaeus, 1758)
Page 26: Lot 101, De Marco's Volute
Voluta demarcoi Olsson, 1965

Plate 3

- Page 13:** Lot 40, Longley's Carrier-shell
Onustus longleyi (Bartsch, 1931)
Page 18: Lot 57, Atlantic Trumpet Triton
Charonia variegata (Lamarck, 1816)
Page 8: Lot 21, Fossil Mollusk Collection
Page 25: Lot 94, Giant Tun
Tonna galea (Linnaeus, 1758)
Page 16: Lot 52, Chambered Nautilus
Nautilus pompilius Linnaeus, 1758
Page 13: Lot 41, Prostitute Venus
Hysteroconcha lupanaria (Lesson, 1831)

Plate 4

- Page 18:** Lot 59, Snow Whelk
Sinistrofulgur laeostomum (Kent, 1982)
Page 10: Lot 30, (Hawaiian) Tiger Cowrie
Cypraea tigris schilderiana C. N. Cate, 1961
Page 19: Lot 61, Tiger Triton
Cymatium tigrinum (Broderip, 1833)
Page 5: Lot 11, Hawaiian Shell Collection
Page 15: Lot 48, Japanese Baking Scallop
Pecten albicans (Schröter, 1802)
Page 28: Lot 107, Mawe's Latiaxis
Latiaxis mawae (Gray, 1833)

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- Page 25:** Lot 96, Imperial Volute
Cymbiola imperialis ([Lightfoot], 1786)
Page 21: Lot 73, Oculate Apple Murex, 4 shells
Phyllonotus oculatus (Reeve, 1845)
Page 9: Lot 25, Lyre-formed Lyria
Lyria lyriaformis (Swainson, 1821)
Page 30: Lot 117, Queen or Pink Conch
Aliger gigas (Linnaeus, 1758)
Page 15: Lot 46, Coral Scallop
Bractechlamys corallinoides (d'Orbigny, 1840)
Page 18: Lot 58, Giant Eastern Pacific Conch
Titanostrombus galeatus (Swainson, 1823)

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- Page 30:** Lot 118, Seba's Spider Conch
Lambis truncata sebae (Kiener, 1843)
Page 20: Lot 68, Horned Helmet Trumpet
Cassis cornuta (Linnaeus, 1758)
Page 25: Lot 95, Giant Tun
Tonna galea (Linnaeus, 1758)
Page 29: Lot 114, Zanzibar Tudicula
Tudivasum zanzibaricum (Abbott, 1958)
Page 20: Lot 70, Florida Horse Conch
Triplofusus giganteus (Kiener, 1840)
Page 23: Lot 85, Marginate Cowrie
Zoila marginata (Gaskoin, 1849)

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- Page 22:** Lot 75, Eliose's Acteon
Punctacteon eloiseae (R. T. Abbott, 1973)
Page 31: Lot 119, Irvin's Volute
Cymbiola irvinae (E. A. Smith, 1909)
Page 20: Lot 71, Turban Shell Collection
Page 28: Lot 110, *Babylomurex* 3 species
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Cassis madagascariensis Lamarck, 1822
Page 23: Lot 84, Friend's Cowrie
Zoila friendii friendii (J. E. Gray, 1831)

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- Page 6:** Lot 15, Bailer Shell
Melo amphora ([Lightfoot, 1786])
Page 18: Lot 57, Atlantic Trumpet Triton
Charonia variegata (Lamarck, 1816)
Page 7: Lot 16, Pacific Geoduck Clam
Panopea generosa A. Gould, 1850
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Sinistrofulgur laeostomum (Kent, 1982)
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Cypraeacassis rufa (Linnaeus, 1758)
Page 18: Lot 60, Caribbean Helmet
Cassis tuberosa (Linnaeus, 1758)