

Hyperolius platyceps (Boulenger, 1900)

kingdom Animalia

phylum Chordata

class Amphibia

order Anura

family Hyperoliidae Laurent, 1943

genus *Hyperolius* Rapp, 1842

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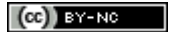
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Size

The type specimen measures 29 mm from snout to vent (Boulenger, 1900).

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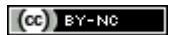
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Morphology

Head is rather large, as long as broad and much depressed. Snout is rounded; loreal region is oblique. Interorbital space is broader than the upper eyelid. Tympanum is hidden. Outer fingers are one-fourth webbed. Toes are two-thirds webbed; disks rather large. The tibio-tarsal articulation reaches the eye. Skin is smooth, faintly areolate on the belly (Boulenger, 1900).

Dorsum is pale brownish with a large blackish-brown marking with indentations extending from between the eyes to the sacral region. Sides of head, body and upper surface of legs are blackish brown. A whitish spot is present on the leg above the tibio-tarsal articulation. Upper surface of the thigh are whitish, with a narrow dark brown streak. Venter is white (Boulenger, 1900).

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Taxonomy

Rappia platyceps Boulenger, 1900 (synonym)

Rappia platyceps var. *angolensis* Ferreira, 1906 (synonym)

Rappia pleurotaenia Boulenger, 1906 (synonym)

Hyperolius pleurotaenius - Noble, 1924 (synonym)

Hyperolius platyceps - Noble, 1924 (synonym)

Hyperolius angolanus Ahl, 1931 (synonym)

Megalixalus platyceps - Loveridge, 1938 (synonym)

Hyperolius platyceps platyceps - Laurent, 1943 (synonym)

Hyperolius platyceps lomamiensis Laurent, 1943 (synonym)

Hyperolius platyceps lombaris Laurent, 1951 (synonym)

Hyperolius platyceps olbrechtsi Laurent, 1952 (synonym)

Hyperolius platyceps angolanus - Laurent, 1954 (synonym)

Hyperolius platyceps pleurotaenia - Perret, 1966 (synonym)

Common Names

Benito River Reed Frog (English), Angola Reed Frog (English)

References

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