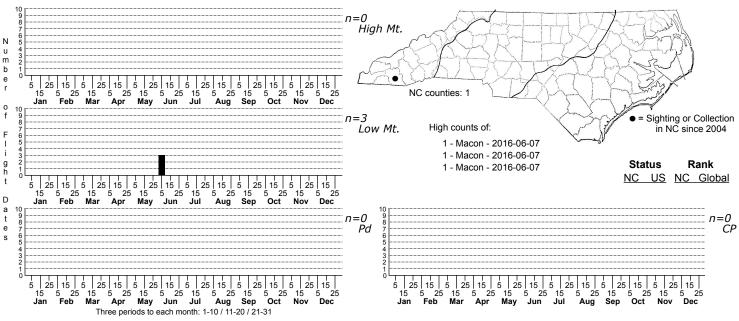
## Nannaria nessa Duck Twisted-Claw Millipede



## FAMILY: Xystodesmidae SUBFAMILY: TRIBE:

TAXONOMIC\_COMMENTS: Described in 2022: Hennen DA, Means JC, Marek PE (2022) A revision of the wilsoni species group in the millipede genus Nannaria Chamberlin, 1918 (Diplopoda, Polydesmida, Xystodesmidae). ZooKeys 1096: 17–118. https://doi.org/10.3897/zookeys.1096.73485

FIELD GUIDE DESCRIPTIONS: ONLINE PHOTOS:

ID COMMENTS: Members of the genus Nannaria are generally smaller with more subdued coloration than other Xystodesmids. Adults of Nannaria nessa can be separated from the geographically close and morphologically similar species N. austricola and N. spalax by the following characters. Acropodite medial flange lobed, rather than laminate and with a short, triangular tip medial flange as in N. spalax sp. nov. Acropodite tip medial flange absent, not lobed as in N. austricola. Prefemoral process only slightly curving and with a notch on its medial side near midpoint, not curving laterally as in N. austricola or thick and with a jagged medial margin as in N. spalax. Tergites with two paranotal red spots, collum outlined in red, and tergites with background black.

DISTRIBUTION: Known only from Macon County NC and adjacent Georgia.

HABITAT: This species is found in deciduous and rhododendron cove habitats, within leaf litter and under rocks.

OBSERVATION\_METHODS:

NATURAL HERITAGE PROGRAM RANKS:

STATE PROTECTION:

COMMENTS: