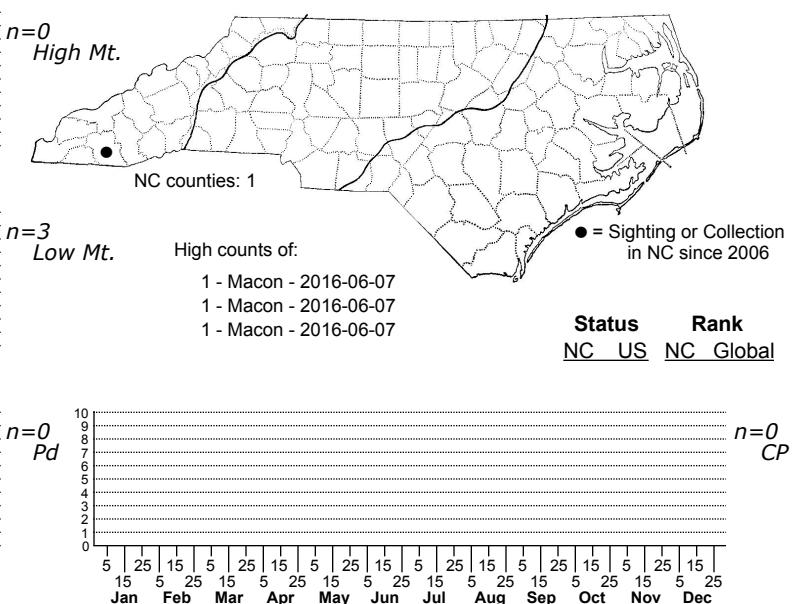
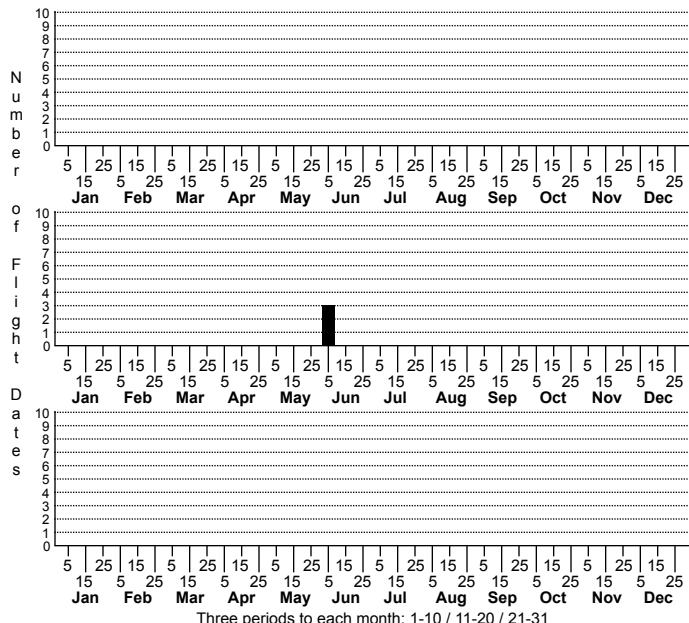


Nannaria nessa Duck Twisted-Claw Millipede



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: