

## SPECIES MANAGEMENT PROFILE

*Discocharopa vigens* Ammonite Pinwheel Snail

**Group:** Mollusca (shellfish), Gastropoda (snails and slugs), Stylommatophora, Charopidae

**Status:** *Threatened Species Protection Act 1995*: **endangered**  
*Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Act 1999*: Critically Endangered

**Endemic Status:**

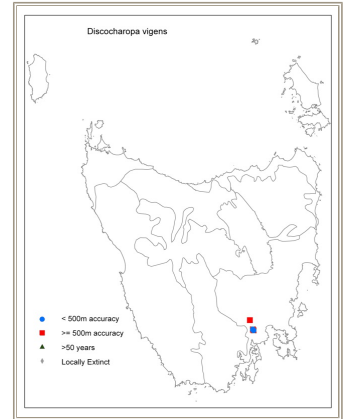


The Ammonite Snail (*Discocharopa vigens*) is a tiny, very flat land snail, yellow to off-white or greyish in colour, with a very wide umbilicus which is 30 to 40% of shell width. The Ammonite Snail is endemic to Tasmania and occurs only in the Hobart area. The species occurs in a variety of forest habitats, but has only been found under dolerite rocks. There are currently only two extant populations known, with an area of occupancy of 2 ha and a total population size of as little as 200 individuals. The principal threats to the species include fire, and urban sprawl and its associated effects - including weeds, exotic invertebrates, and habitat fragmentation. The main objective for the management of the Ammonite Snail is to decrease its extinction risk by maintaining, improving and increasing extent and quality of habitat.

A complete species management profile is not currently available for this species. Check for further information on this page and any relevant Activity Advice.

### Key Points

- **Important:** Is this species in your area? Do you need a permit? Ensure you've covered all the issues by checking the Planning Ahead page.
- **Important:** Different threatened species may have different requirements. For any activity you are considering, read the Activity Advice pages for background information and important advice about managing around the needs of multiple threatened species.



### Further information

Check also for listing statement or notesheet pdf above (below the species image).

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**Permit:** A permit is required under the Tasmanian *Threatened Species Protection Act 1995* to 'take' (which includes kill, injure, catch, damage, destroy and collect), keep, trade in or process any specimen or products of a listed species. Additional permits may also be required under other Acts or regulations to take, disturb or interfere with any form of wildlife or its products, (e.g. dens, nests, bones). This may also depend on the tenure of the land and other agreements relating to its management.