

First Record of *Lophyra* (s. str.) *neglecta neglecta* Dejean, 1825 from Gabon (Coleoptera: Cicindelidae)

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ABSTRACT

Lophyra (*Lophyra*) *neglecta neglecta* Dej. is recorded for the first time from Gabon (Estuaire Province), increasing the number of Cicindelidae species known from this country to thirteen. A list of tiger beetle species presently known from this area is also given.

Key words: Tiger beetles, *Lophyra*, Africa, Gabon, faunistics, list of species, new record

INTRODUCTION

Thus far, only twelve species of tiger beetles (Cicindelidae) have been recorded from Gabon (Wiesner, 1992; Cassola & Pearson, 2000; Werner, 2000a & b), making this country one of the less diverse in tiger beetle species among all African countries. None of these species is endemic to this area (Cassola & Pearson, 2000; Werner, 2000b). Among them only one belongs to genus *Lophyra* Motschoulsky, 1859: *L. (Stenolophyra) luxerii* (Dejean, 1831) (Wiesner, 1992; Werner, 2000).

MATERIAL AND METHODS

A single male of *Lophyra* (*Lophyra*) *neglecta neglecta* Dejean, 1825, was studied. The examined specimen was collected in Cap Esterias, Estuaire Province, W Gabon, 19.-23.07.1998., leg. P. Machaèek (Fig. 1), and is presently deposited in the author's collection.