

*Lindapecten muscosus* (Wood, 1828)  
= *Aequipecten muscosus*  
Rough Scallop

Class Bivalvia  
Family Pectinidae

Classification according to Turgeon *et al.* (1998)  
References used: Description from Abbott (1974)

**Diagnostic characters:**  $\frac{3}{4}$  to  $1\frac{1}{4}$  inches in size, both valves inflated and fairly deep. Hinge-ears equal to the width of the main part of the shell. 18 to 20 ribs, the center part of each bearing prominent erect, concave scales, and on each side 2 rows of much smaller scales. Color orange-brown, red, lemon-yellow, orange or commonly mottled with purple. Beachworn specimens may lose most of their scaliness.

**Habitat:** Moderately common just offshore to 165 m.

**Range:** North Carolina to Florida; Texas to Brazil; Bermuda.

