

Noetia ponderosa (Say, 1822)
Ponderous Ark

Class Bivalvia
Family Noetiidae

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

Diagnostic characters: 2 to 2 ½ inches in length; almost as high as long; ribs raised, square and split down the center by a fine incised line; **V-shaped white marking near hinge**; 27 to 31 ribs per valve; periostracum thick, black, but wears off at the beaks.

Habitat: Common in shallow water and sand.

Range: Virginia to Florida and to Texas.

