

Periploma fragile (Totten, 1835)
Fragile Spoonclam

Class Bivalvia
Family Periplomatidae

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

Diagnostic characters: ½ to 1 inch in length, oval, moderately compressed, thin-shelled and dull white with a thin yellowish-gray periostracum. Hinge with a narrow, oblique spoon; ligament absent. Beaks pointing somewhat forward.

Habitat: 7 to 73 m.

Range: Labrador south along Atlantic Coast to New Jersey; Gulf of Mexico.

