

*Chicoreus beauii* (P. Fischer and Bernardi, 1857)  
= *Siratus beauii*, *Murex beauii*  
Beau's Murex

Class Gastropoda  
Family Muricidae

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

**Diagnostic characters:** 3 to 5 inches in length. The spiny varices may have prominent, thin, wavy webs. Between the varices there are 5 to 6 rows of low, evenly sized and evenly spaced knobs. Color cream to pale brownish, rarely with spiral rows of yellow-brown flecks. Siphonal canal may be straight or bent.

**Habitat:** Common offshore from 183 to 366 m.

**Range:** South Florida, the Gulf of Mexico to Brazil.



*Chicoreus dilectus* (A. Adams, 1855)  
= *Chicoreus florifer dilectus*, *Murex florifer dilectus*  
Lace Murex

Class Gastropoda  
Family Muricidae

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

**Diagnostic characters:** 1 to 3 inches in length. Aperture small, nearly round. 8 to 10 crowded, frondose, scaly spines bordering the outer lip and siphonal canal. Color light-brown, or whitish, and in the latter case, the nuclear whorls at the spire are pinkish. Usually 1 axial low ridge between each varix, although occasionally with more and smaller axial ribs.

**Habitat:** One of Florida's most common species in this genus. It lives in a wide variety of habitats from mangrove, muddy areas to protected rocks and frequently in clear, sandy areas.

**Range:** Southern half of Florida to off South Carolina.



*Chicoreus pomum* (Gmelin, 1791)  
= *Phyllonotus pomum*, *Murex pomum*  
Apple Murex

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Family Muricidae

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

**Diagnostic characters:** 2 to 4 ½ inches in length; sturdy with a rough surface, no long spines; dark brown to yellowish tan.

**Habitat:** Very common in shallow waters.

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

