

22. **Mycotretus guatemalæ.**

Mycotretus Guatemalæ, Crotch, Cist. Ent. i. p. 441¹.

Hab. GUATEMALA¹.

Very nearly allied to *M. psittacus*.

Unique in the late Mr. Crotch's collection.

23. **Mycotretus pecari.** (*M. peccari*, Tab. III. figg. 18, 19.)

Mycotretus pecari, Lac. Monogr. Erotyl. p. 167¹.

Hab. NICARAGUA, Chontales (*Belt, Janson*); PANAMA, Bugaba (*Champion*).—SOUTH AMERICA, Colombia¹.

This is a very variable species, so far as the extension of the fasciæ on the elytra is concerned, otherwise I should have been inclined to think that our insect from Panama was distinct. The two specimens we have received from Nicaragua are even more divergent in pattern and smaller; but one example from Bugaba is intermediate, and I have little doubt but that all these are only forms of one species. It is probable that *M. 14-guttatus*, Lac., is also only another variety. The constant points are the fuscous tarsi, and black antennæ with two basal joints red; and that the black elytral spots tend to form three fasciæ, which at last become confluent. When the two basal fasciæ only are confluent we have var. A of Lacordaire; when the three basal yellow fasciæ are complete it is var. B of Lacordaire. The single specimen of *M. pecari* in the Cambridge collection has the black more extended, and occupying the whole apex; and *M. 14-guttatus* seems only to differ from it in having the whitish fasciæ reduced to seven roundish spots on each elytron.

The specimens figured are (fig. 18) a specimen from Bugaba; (fig. 19) an extreme variety from Chontales.

24. **Mycotretus elegans.** (Tab. IV. fig. 3.)

Oblongus, antice posticeque rotundatus, parum convexus, saturate rufo-ferrugineus, subnitidus; elytris nigris, macula transversa basali, puncto subhumerali fascisque duabus ad suturam anguste interruptis (una mediana altera subapicali), flavis; antennis nigris, articulis tribus basi rufis. Long. 9 millim.

Hab. GUATEMALA, San Gerónimo (*Champion*).

Head and thorax very finely punctured, red; the latter often suffused with some indistinct cloudy markings, which show a tendency to represent some of the spots in other species. Elytra finely punctate-striate, black, with three narrow yellow fasciæ—the first interrupted by the humerus, and consisting of a dot on the margin, and a narrow transverse band on the base reaching the scutellum, but leaving a small black spot on the base next to it; the second in the middle, widest on the margin, and a little oblique; and the third near the apex, and slightly arcuate; all three are very narrowly