

## Dipluridae: Masteriinae: Masteria

### Total length

Small to medium (2–8mm) (Fig. 1).

### Distribution

Northern Territory, Queensland, New Guinea (Fig. 2).

### Habitat

Tropical rainforest.

### Spinnerets

Four. PLS segments equal in length; **apical segment digitiform**.

### Cephalothorax

Caput of females gently raised, higher than thoracic portion; fovea of females more or less straight.

Eyes **six**; group tiny, about 0.3 of headwidth; two rows; rows equal in width; on tubercle.

Chelicerae fangs longitudinal; retromargin without teeth; intercheliceral tumescence in male absent; rastellum absent.

Maxillae about as long as wide; anterior lobe absent; **serrula a single line of teeth**; **cuspules absent**.

Labium wider than long; cuspules absent.

Sternum sigilla not evident or small.

### Legs

Preening combs on metatarsi absent; tarsi with filiform trichobothria.

Claws **three**; **paired claws with one row of teeth centrally**; **third claw dentate**; tufis absent.

Scopula absent.

### Male Palp

Cymbium with spines. Bulb pyriform with one apophysis.

### Genera included

*Masteria*.



Fig. 1. Adult female *Masteria* sp.



Fig. 2. Distribution map.