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Definition.—Centro-dorsal usually discoidal, and bearing fifteen or twenty marginal cirri, rarely more; sometimes pentagonal or stellate with no trace of cirri, but occasionally hemispherical and almost covered by them. Outer faces of the radials relatively wide, with small muscle-plates, and nearly or quite parallel to the vertical axis of the calyx.

Disk with an excentric mouth and a variable number of unequal ambulacra, at least two of which enclose the anal area in a horseshoe-shaped curve. Some of the arms, generally only the hinder ones, may be much shorter than the rest, ungrooved, and non-