

Cherax depressus



We saw huge numbers of *Cherax depressus* or *depressus* complex crayfish over a huge area. This species complex has a very wide distribution from near sea level to over 800 m and along a 1000 km stretch of coastline. They are an extremely hardy species that survives in the harsh dry areas and in the permanent streams. I hear they are now entering the aquarium trade and are turning up in aquarium pet shops in Victoria and NSW. Hopefully this is aquacultured crayfish not illegally poached crayfish.



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