

Record of the Brahminy Blind Snake, *Typhlops braminus*, from the Island of Hawaii¹

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A SINGLE SPECIMEN of *Typhlops braminus* was collected alive by the authors on the grounds of the University of Hawaii, Hilo Campus, on April 6, 1970. This report constitutes the first record of *Typhlops* on the island of Hawaii.

This species, a native of the Old World tropics, was first found on the island of Oahu in 1930 (Fisher, 1948, p. 69) and appeared to be still restricted to the Honolulu area in 1953 (Oliver and Shaw, 1953, p. 83). It has since become established in lowland areas over the entire island; more recently, it has been collected in Kahului on the island of Maui (Hunsaker and Breese, 1967, p. 423).

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The specimen is deposited in the Bernice P. Bishop Museum, Honolulu, Hawaii, and has been assigned the Bishop Museum Herpetological Catalogue number 5140.

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