

oped, blunt (Fig. 123).

Erect hairs present on most surfaces, short (0.05mm), blunt tipped; decumbent pubescence sparse, few hairs obvious on gaster.

Head punctate, punctures line up and form weak striae, semi-circular striae present posterior to insertions of antennae, side of mesosoma punctate with weak striae on mesopleural area and side of propodeum, dorsum of mesosoma punctate, also with weak striae, sides and top of petiole and postpetiole punctate, gaster smooth and glossy.

Dorsum of head and gaster dark brown, ventral surface of head, mesosoma, petiole, and postpetiole lighter brown.

Female (dealate) measurements (mm): HL 0.95, HW 0.86, SL 0.75, EL 0.28, WL 1.48, PW 0.27, PL 0.19, PPW 0.35, PPL 0.26. Indices CI 91, SI 79, PI 141, PPI 132.

Mandible with 5 teeth; anterior border of clypeus weakly concave, medial carina well developed, with several lateral carinae; vertex weakly convex; eyes extending well past sides of head; propodeum with well developed, thick spines; node of petiole moderately sharp in profile, subpeduncular process well developed, blunt.

Erect hairs abundant on most surfaces (0.1mm); decumbent pubescence sparse, few hairs on gaster.

Sculpture of head rough, consisting of rugae with intrarugal spaces shining, semi-circular carinae posterior to insertion of antenna, dorsum of mesosoma with coarse rugae, with intrarugal spaces shining, side of propodeum with coarse rugae, sides and top of petiole and postpetiole with fine rugae.

Concolorous dark brown.

Male: Unknown.

Type series: Holotype worker (MCZC), 70 paratype workers (AMNH, CASC, CWEM, FMNH, LACM, EMAU, MCSN, MCZC, MHNG, MZSP, USNM, UNAM), 1 paratype female (MCZC), California, Tulare Co., Sequoia National Park, Wolverton Campground, 36°35'03.0" 118°44'27.8", 2100m, 9-vii-1998, W. and L. Mackay # 18413.

Material examined: Seventy-four workers, 1 female, including type series and California, San Bernardino Co., San Bernardino Mts., Big Bear Summit, 15-vi-1977, W&E Mackay # 1311 (1 worker CWEM), 2 mi NW Fawnskin, 23-vi-1978, W&E Mackay # 2095 (1 worker CWEM), Mill Creek X Bluff Lake, 23-vi-1978, W&E Mackay # 1296 (1 worker CWEM).

Etymology: This species is named in honor of my daughter, Linda, who was helping me collect in the area.

Discussion: *Leptothorax lindae* appears to be most closely related to