

area small, subtriangular, impressed. Antennal scapes extending about one-half the distance between the eyes and the posterior corners of the head; club longer than the remainder of the funiculus. Thorax short, robust, with prominent but rounded humeri; about one-half as broad as the head. Pro- and mesonotum convex, together forming a hemispherical mass when viewed in profile, the mesonotum with a faint transverse impression before the abrupt posterior surface. Mesoeipinotal constriction pronounced. Epinotum with two acute spines which are little, if any, longer than broad at the base, a lateral ridge extending on each side of the epinotum from the base of spines to the mesoeipinotal constriction. Petiole approximately twice as long as broad, with the sides slightly constricted at the base of the node, node when viewed from behind rectangular and with a straight or very indistinctly emarginate superior border. Postpetiole broader than long, slightly more than twice as broad as the petiole, with distinctly blunt, median conules. Gaster smaller than the head, oval, with straight anterior border.

Mandibles, clypeus and frontal area smooth and shining, the first longitudinally striated basally, apically with coarse, widely scattered, piligerous punctures. Head opaque, longitudinally striated in the region of the front and cheeks; remainder rugulose-reticulate throughout with very faint intermediate punctulae. Dorsum of pro- and mesothorax rugulose-punctulate with rather indefinitely distributed smooth areas. Intraspinal area on the epinotum finely punctulate. Pleurae of the thorax for the most part finely punctulate, occasionally with smooth punctureless areas, one of these areas very often present on the mesopleura. Superior surface of the postpetiole smooth and shining. Gaster very smooth and shining, legs less so.

Hairs pale yellowish, long and abundant, suberect to erect, more reclinate on the appendages.

Ferruginous; mandibles and clypeus darker.

*Worker.* Length 1.3-1.5 mm. Head, excluding the mandibles, slightly longer than broad, with convex sides and very faintly emarginate posterior border. Eyes anterior to the middle of the sides of the head. Clypeus convex, with a median carinula, which is most distinct anteriorly. Antennal scapes slightly surpassing the posterior corners of the head, the club longer than the remainder of the funiculus. Frontal area subtriangular. Thorax similar to that of the soldier, but relatively broader in proportion to the width of the head.