The species belonging to the genus may be separated into more or less well-defined subgenera, as follows:

Subgenus Macromischa [type M. purpurata Roger], including purpurata, porphyritis, squamifera, subdetiva, lævissima, sallei, androsana, pastinifera, affinis, fuscata, salvini, flavitarsis, allardycei, splendens, scabripes, isabellæ, punicans, cressoni, and lugens. This is still a heterogenous grouping, but the various characters intergrade so much that a further division is not desirable untill larger series can be studied.

Subgenus Cræsomyrmex, new subgenus [type Macromischa (Cræsomyrmex) wheeleri Mann, including those species with unarmed epinota and elongate petiolar nodes—wheeleri, iris, poeyi, gundlachi, and versicolor.

Subgenus Antillæmyrmex, new subgenus [type Macromischa (Antillæmyrmex) terricola Mann]. Small, hypogæic species, with rectangular heads and short peduncles to the petiole, including terricola, pulchella, albispina, and flavidula.

The following key, a modification of the one published by Wheeler (1908, Bull. Amer. Mus. Nat. Hist., XXIV, pp. 141-142) includes all of the known species with the exception of lucayensis Forel and schwarzi Mann, which are known only from females.

1.	Species with metallic coloration
	Species without metallic coloration, or merely with violet reflections, on head or
	first gastric segment
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2.	Epinotum unarmed3.
	Epinotum armed with spines6.
3.	Thorax with a profound meso-epinotal constriction; light red, with black anten-
	næ and gaster; legs dark brown. Length 7 mm. (Cuba). punicans Roger.
	Thorax without meso-epinotal constriction4.
4.	Dark red, the whole body with violet reflections; petiole three times as long as
	broad. Length 4 mm. (Cuba)gundlachi Wheeler.
	Bicolored species5.
5.	Head and gaster black or dark brown; body red; femora with basal half thin
	and apical half suddenly strongly incrassated; thorax finely and densely
	punctate. Length 5 mm. (Cuba)poeyi Wheeler.
	Femora less strongly incrassated. Thorax densely tuberculately punctate.
	Length 5.5 mm. (Isle of Pines)
c	Meso-epinotal constriction profound. (Mexico)cressoni Ern. André.
6.	
_	Meso-epinotal constriction obsolete or very feebly marked
7.	Small yellow species. Length 1.5–2.25 mm
	Small species. Length 1.5-2.25 mm.; color, at least in part, black9.
	Larger or differently colored species
8.	Smooth and very shining. Length 1.5-1.7 mm. (Hayti).
	flavidula Wheeler and Mann.