Superfamily STRATIOMYOIDEA

32. Family XYLOMYIDAE

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Only 1 genus (*Solva*) occurs in the regions covered here. It is most abundant in New Guinea and the islands to the west, with 1 species found as far east as Guadalcanal in the Solomons and another extending into Queensland, Australia.

Adults of *Solva* are known only from rainforest where they occur on tree trunks and foliage. Larvae of *S. bergi* have been described from Guadalcanal (Berg 1952). In Australia, adults of *S. laeta* have been reared from decaying timber of *Dysoxylum gaudichaudianum* (Adr. Juss.) Miq. (Meliaceae).

Refs.: Brunetti (1923a, key, New Guinean, Indonesian spp.), Daniels (1977a, key, Australian, New Guinean spp.).

Genus SOLVA Walker


*PRISTA* Enderlein, 1913: 546. Type species: *Subula viitata* Doleschall, 1858 [= *Solva vittipes* Bezzi, 1914], orig. des.

*atrata* Daniels, 1977a: 456. PNG (PNG).

*bergi* James, 1951: 149. Solomon Is.

*calopoda* Bigot, 1879c: 195 (*Subula*). Indonesia (Maluku); "New Guinea"; India, Indonesia (Sumatra), Malaysia (Pen), Philippines.

*flavipes* Doleschall, 1858: 85 (*Subula*). Indonesia (Maluku); PNG (PNG), India, Philippines.

*hybotoides* Walker, 1861e: 5. Indonesia (Maluku).

*laeta* Daniels, 1977a: 456. Australia (Qld); PNG (PNG).

*melanogaster* Daniels, 1977a: 455. PNG (PNG).

*novaeguineae* Lindner, 1938: 431. PNG (PNG).

*vittipes* Bezzi, 1914: 312 (n. n. for *vittata* Doleschall). Indonesia (Maluku); Indonesia (Sumatra), Philippines.
