

a yellow band cut deeply into the form of a triangle, or even broken right off; and this is more noticeable in the less distant segments.

Under-part of the body, black. Legs, iron-yellow all through. Wings, slightly bronzed at the tip.

The above is a description of the female. The male is unknown to me.

In colouring, this species approaches *Cerceris labiata*, from which it differs more particularly by the shape of the shield and by its size, which is much larger. Observed near Avignon in July.

I dedicate this species to my daughter Antonia, whose assistance has often been of great value to me in my entomological researches.

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CERCERIS JULII.—H. Fab.

Length, 7 to 9 millimetres.¹ Black, thickly and deeply spotted. Shield, flat. Face covered with a fine silvery down. A narrow yellow band on either side on the inner edge of the eyes. Mandibles, yellow, with brown tips. Antennæ, black above, pale russet below; lower surface of their basilar joints, yellow.

¹ $\frac{1}{4}$ to $\frac{1}{3}$ inch.—Translator's Note.