

## KEY TO SPECIES

### GENUS *TRICHASPIS*

1. Elytral surface without tubercles, setae not forming brushes. .... 2.  
- Elytral surface with tubercles possessing setae grouped in brushes. .... ***T. pilosa***
2. Elytral disc covered mostly by only erect setae, adherent setae absent, or sparse, or grouped in a few intervals, elytral surface well visible. .... 3.  
- Elytral disc covered by both adherent and erect setae, adherent setae very dense, completely covering elytral surface. .... ***T. tomentosa***
3. Elytral erect setae mostly clavate. .... 4.  
- Elytral erect setae needle-shaped, or with truncate apex but not clavate. .... 5.
4. Clavate elytral setae long and slim, longer than width of elytral intervals. Pronotal disc yellow. .... ***T. hincksi***  
- Clavate elytral setae short and very stout, shorter than width of elytral intervals. Pronotal disc yellowish-red to purple-red. .... ***T. erinacea***
5. Erect setae on elytral disc and surrounding margin of elytra long, distinctly longer than width of elytral intervals. Setae on pronotal disc with acute apex. Larger, length above 3.3 mm. .... 6.  
- Erect setae on elytral disc and surrounding margin of elytra short, shorter than to as wide as width of elytral intervals. Setae on pronotal disc mostly with truncate apex. Smaller, length below 3.1 mm. .... ***T. minutissima***
6. Elytral intervals convex, very narrow, in sutural half of disc slightly narrower than rows, on sides of disc linear, surface of elytra appears irregular to rugose. Namibia. .... 7.  
- Elytral intervals flat or only slightly convex, at least in sutural half of disc slightly wider than rows, surface of elytra appears regular. South Africa. .... ***T. louwi***
7. Elytral setae distributed regularly, no interval with group of dense setae. Setae surrounding elytral margin dense. .... ***T. pilosula***  
- Elytral setae distributed partly irregularly, interval 3 in anterior part. and interval 5 in and behind middle with group of dense, partly adherent setae. Setae surrounding elytral margin sparse. .... ***T. brevicornis***