

***Gerastos* sp. 3** (TH155)

Gerastos → Proetida → Proetina → Proetoidea → Proetidae → Proetinae

Provenance : Morocco; "Rich" (see Details)

Formation : ? Fm

Age : Upper or Middle Devonian

Details : "Rich" is actually the place where the trilobite was bought (along with a second specimen which I also have, see TH154a)...and it's only a guess that "Rich" might mean the town of Er-Rich (which is on the way from [airport] Fez towards Errachidia and Erfoud – an often followed route for fossil hunters). However, there's no Devonian outcrops in the neighborhood of Er-Rich, and it has therefore to be accepted that the specimens were "imported" from elsewhere in Morocco. As the vendor didn't get additional info, there's no way of knowing where it came from. I bought two specimens from a lot of 6, with this one having a small "tip" to the librigena. Additional possible difference : the pygidium on this specimen shows a mild degree of granulation (quite smooth in the case of TH154, and though I agree that this might be due to excessive sandblasting, I feel that the combined features allow me to assume dealing with a different species).

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