

- 1.1) Rings on tail | **present** (items=18)
 - 2.1) Relative width of the bright rings over the dark rings (middle of tail, dorsal view) | **less than 20 %** (items=6)
 - 3.1) Interorbital constriction | **strong (inferior to 1 - 0.12)** (items=3)
 - 4.1) Longitudinal coalescence of the first row of dorsal spots (contiguous to mid-dorsal line) | **absent** -> *Genetta pardina*
 - 4.2) Longitudinal coalescence of the first row of dorsal spots (contiguous to mid-dorsal line) | **weak, at the rump (fusion of 2-3 spots)** -> *Genetta victoriae*
 - 4.3) Longitudinal coalescence of the first row of dorsal spots (contiguous to mid-dorsal line) | **complete, forming a continuous stripe on the whole back** -> *Genetta poensis*
 - 3.2) Interorbital constriction | **intermediate (equal to 1 +/- 0.12)** (items=2)
 - 4.1) Distal part of the tail | **alternation of dark and bright rings** -> *Genetta johnstoni*
 - 4.2) Distal part of the tail | **several bright terminal rings are covered with dark** -> *Genetta burloni*
 - 3.3) Interorbital constriction | **weak (superior to 1 + 0.12)** -> *Genetta servalina*
 - 2.2) Relative width of the bright rings over the dark rings (middle of tail, dorsal view) | **between 50 and 75 %** (items=6)
 - 3.1) Coat of forefoot | **dark** -> *Genetta cristata*
 - 3.2) Coat of forefoot | **same as ground coloration but dark around pads** (items=2)
 - 4.1) Longitudinal coalescence of the first row of dorsal spots (contiguous to mid-dorsal line) | **absent** -> *Genetta tigrina*
 - 4.2) Longitudinal coalescence of the first row of dorsal spots (contiguous to mid-dorsal line) | **important, at the rump (fusion of > 3 spots)** -> *Genetta angolensis*
 - 3.3) Coat of forefoot | **same as ground coloration** (items=3)
 - 4.1) Ventral inflation of the caudal entotympanic bone (ceb) | **strong (twice as much inflated than ectotympanic bone)** -> *Genetta maculata*, *Genetta "letabae"*
 - 4.2) Ventral inflation of the caudal entotympanic bone (ceb) | **very strong (thrice as much inflated than ectotympanic bone)** -> *Genetta "schoutedeni"*
 - 2.3) Relative width of the bright rings over the dark rings (middle of tail, dorsal view) | **ca. 100 %** (items=3)
 - 3.1) Mid-dorsal line, coloration | **longitudinally crossed by a brighter (ground coloration) line** (items=2)
 - 4.1) Ventral inflation of the caudal entotympanic bone (ceb) | **weak (similar level of inflation with ectotympanic bone)** -> *Genetta abyssinica*
 - 4.2) Ventral inflation of the caudal entotympanic bone (ceb) | **strong (twice as much inflated than ectotympanic bone)** -> *Genetta thierryi*
 - 3.2) Mid-dorsal line, coloration | **full dark** -> *Genetta genetta*
 - 2.4) Relative width of the bright rings over the dark rings (middle of tail, dorsal view) | **ca. 200 %** (items=3)
 - 3.1) Mid-dorsal line, coloration | **longitudinally crossed by a brighter (ground coloration) line** (items=2)
 - 4.1) Shape of the first dark rings of the tail | **"chevron"** -> *Poiana leightoni*
 - 4.2) Shape of the first dark rings of the tail | **circle** -> *Poiana richardsonii*
 - 3.2) Mid-dorsal line, coloration | **full dark** -> *Genetta felina*
- 1.2) Rings on tail | **absent** -> *Genetta piscivora*