



Species diversity of Chinese carabid genus *Pterostichus* was poorly investigated and greatly underestimated before. *Circinatus*, one of subgenera in *Pterostichus*, was once believed well studied, with 11 previously known species, but up to now, we have discovered 11 more species and one subspecies. In this monograph, detailed description and illustration for each taxon of *Circinatus* are provided, and species relationships are discussed with phylogenetic methods. Endophallic characters are emphasized in species distinguishing and systematics analyzing for this subgenus. High-resolution endophallic illustrations for most known species are provided. The monograph also gives a useful key to aid species determination. More species are expected to be discovered in the near future, considering rich species diversity of Chinese *Pterostichus*.

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