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IDENTIFICATION KEY: GENUS *Tringa* AND *Actitis*.

1 - Wing with a white patch on flight feathers

- Wing without a white patch on flight feathers

2 - White bar on the top of the feathers: Common Sandpiper (*Actitis hypoleucos*)

- White patch on the bottom of the feathers: Redshank (*Tringa totanus*)

3 - Bill slightly upcurved: Greenshank (*Tringa nebula-ria*)

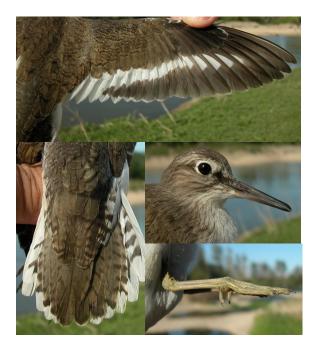
- Straight bill4

4 - Legs and base of bill red: Spotted Redshank (*Tringa erythropus*)

- Legs and bill grey-greenish5

5 - Wholly black underwing: Green Sandpiper (*Tringa ochropus*)

- Rather pale underwing: Wood Sandpiper (*Tringa glareola*)



Common Sandpiper (*Actitis hypoleucos*): white bar on the top of the flight feathers; without white rump; dark central tail feathers; straight grey bill; greenish



Redshank (*Tringa totanus*): white patch on the bottom of the flight feathers; white rump; white tail feathers with dark broad barred; straight dark bill with red base; red legs.



Greenshank (*Tringa nebularia*): without white patch on the flight feathers; white rump; white tail feathers with narrow dark barred; upcurved greenish bill; green legs.

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Spotted Redshank (*Tringa erythropus*): without a large white patch on the flight feathers; white rump; white tail feathers with dense dark barred; straight dark bill with red base of lower mandible and dark upper one; reddish legs.



Green Sandpiper (*Tringa ochropus*): without white patch on the flight feathers; blackish underwing coverts; white rump; white tail feathers with broad dark barred; straight green bill; greenish legs.



Wood Sandpiper (*Tringa glareola*): without white patch on the flight feathers; whitish underwing coverts; white rump; white tail feathers with broad dark barred; straight grey bill; green-yellowish legs.