

05569 Identification of *Actitis* and *Tringa*

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

- 1 - Wing with a white patch on flight feathers 2
 - Wing without a white patch on flight feathers 3
- 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 nebularia*)
 - 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*)



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.



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



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



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.