# 06829 Columba Identification



IDENTIFICATION OF ADULTS AND JUVENI-LES OF PIGEONS (FERAL PIGEON, STOCK DOVE AND WOOD PIGEON

#### **ALL AGES**

In **all ages** can be separated by pattern of wing and rump.







Pattern of upperwing: Top Feral Pigeon: with two long black bands. Middle Stock Dove: with two short black bands. Bottom Wood Pigeon: with a white patch.







Pattern of underwing: Top Feral Pigeon: with white underwing coverts. Middle Stock Dove: with intense bluish underwing coverts. Bottom Wood Pigeon: with pale bluish underwing coverts.



Pattern of rump: Left Feral Pigeon: with white rump. Middle Stock Dove: without white rump. Right Wood Pigeon: without white rump.

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#### **ADULTS**

Adults can be separated by pattern of neck and bill and iris colour







Pattern of neck, bill and iris:

Top Feral Pigeon: with green and purple iridescence on neck, black bill and reddish iris.

Middle Stock Dove: with green and purple iridescence on neck, pinkish bill and dark iris.

Bottom Wood Pigeon: with a white patch on neck, reddish bill and yellow iris.

### JUVENILES

Juveniles can be separated by bill and iris colour.







Pattern of bill and iris:

Top .- Feral Pigeon: with dark bill and dark iris. Middle .- Stock Dove: with pinkish bill and dark iris. Bottom .- Wood Pigeon: with pinkish bill and pale blue iris.