

301 Woodlark

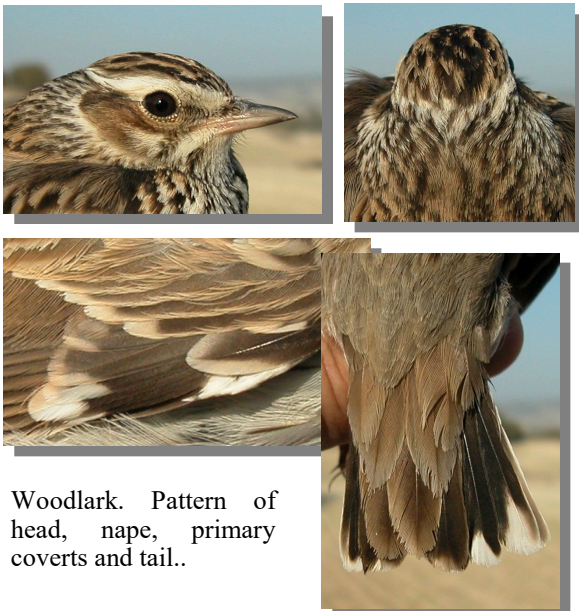
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Woodlark. Adult (26-I).

WOODLARK (*Lullula arborea*)**IDENTIFICATION**

14-16 cm. Brown plumage, streaked dark except rump; whitish underparts; throat and breast streaked; head with a little crest and broad supercilium joining at nape; primary coverts white and black; outer tail feathers with white tips. **Juveniles** have pure white edges on feathers.



Woodlark. Pattern of head, nape, primary coverts and tail..

SIMILAR SPECIES

This species is unmistakable due to its white supercilium joining at nape and pattern of primary coverts.

SEXING

Plumage of both sexes alike.

AGEING

2 age groups can be recognized:

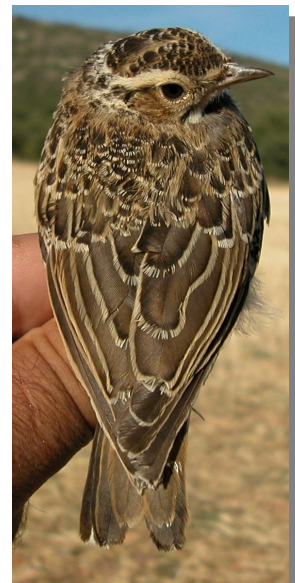
Juvenile with distinct pale edges on wing coverts; fresh plumage.

Adult without prominent pale edges on wing coverts; worn plumage in **spring**.

After **postbreeding/postjuvenile** moults ageing is not possible using plumage pattern.



Woodlark. Ageing. Pattern of head: top adult; bottom juvenile.



Woodlark. Ageing. Pattern of upperparts: left adult; right juvenile.

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MOULT

Complete **postbreeding** and **postjuvenile** moults, usually finished in October.

PHENOLOGY

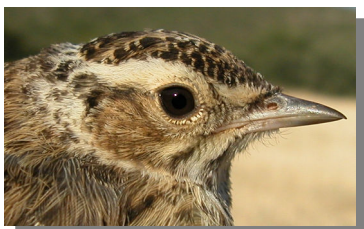
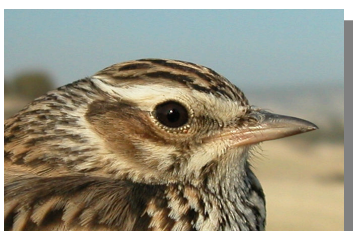
I	II	III	IV	V	VI	VII	VIII	IX	X	XI	XII

STATUS IN ARAGON

Resident. Widely distributed throughout the Region, absent from the highest zones of the Pyrenees and the most deforested areas of the Ebro Basin.



Woodlark. Juvenile (30-VII).



Woodlark.
Head pattern:
top adult (26-I);
bottom juvenile (30-VII)



Woodlark. Nape pattern: left adult (26-I); right juvenile (30-VII)



Woodlark.
Breast pattern:
top adult (26-I);
bottom juvenile (30-VII)



Woodlark. Upperpart pattern: left adult (26-I); right juvenile (30-VII)

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Woodlark. Tail pattern: left adult (26-I); right juvenile (30-VII)



Woodlark.
Pattern of
primary co-
verts: top
adult (06-
XII); bottom
juvenile (30-
VII).



Woodlark. Adult: pattern of wing (26-I)



Woodlark. Juvenile: pattern of wing (30-VII)