09799 Alaudala-Calandrella Identification



IDENTIFICATION OF ADULTS AND JUVENI-LES OF SHORT-TOED LARK AND LESSER SHORT-TOED LARK

ADULTS

Adults can be easily identificated by pattern of breast and bill, length of tertials and, in breeders, by colour of upper mandible.





Breast pattern: left Short-toed Lark; right Lesser Short-toed Lark.



Bill pattern: left Short-toed Lark; right Lesser Short-toed Lark.





Length of tertials: top left Short-toed Lark; bottonmLesser Short-toed Lark.



Colour inside of upper mandible: left Shorttoed Lark; right Lesser Shorttoed Lark.

JUVENILES

Juveniles are usually difficult to determine being an useful character pattern of bill (**CAUTION**: only in fully grown birds) and tinge of plumage; supercilium and pale edges of feathers usually broader in **Short-toed Lark**.





Upperpart pattern: left Short-toed Lark; right Lesser Short-toed Lark.





Bill pattern: left Short-toed Lark; right Lesser Short-toed Lark.



Wing pattern: top Short-toed Lark; bottom Lesser Short-toed Lark.

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