

Redwing. Adult (05-XII).

REDWING (Turdus iliacus)

IDENTIFICATION

20-22 cm. Brownish upperparts: pale underparts streaked brown; well marked pale supercilium; reddish underwing coverts.







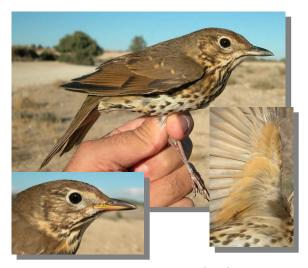
Redwing. Pattern of head, breast and underwing coverts.

SIMILAR SPECIES

Mistle Thrush and Fieldfare are bigger and have white underwing coverts. Song Thrush lacks a white supercilium and underwing coverts are rusty-buff. Female Blackbird has dark underparts.







Song Thrush





Plumage of both sexes alike.

AGEING

This species doesn't breed in Aragon, so only 2 age groups can be recognized:

1st year autumn/2nd year spring with moult limit between inner moulted greater covers (without pale marks on tips and longer) and **juvenile** retained (with pale marks on tips); tertials, if unmoulted, with a pale triangular mark on tips; **juvenile** tail feathers with pointed tips.

Adult without moult limit on wing coverts; greater coverts with the same length and with pale marks on tip with similar shape; tertials without pale mark or, if there is, without triangular shape; tail feathers with rounded tips.





Redwing. Ageing. Pattern of tips of tail feathers: left adult; right 1st year.





Redwing. Ageing. Moult limit on wing coverts: top adult; bottom 1st year.



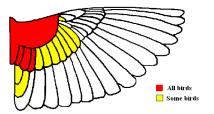




Redwing. Ageing. Pattern of tips of tertials: left and middle adult; right 1st year.

MOULT

Complete **postbreeding** moult, usually finished in late September. Partial **postjuvenile** moult involving body feathers, lesser and median coverts and inner greater coverts; some birds extend their moult to all greater coverts and some tertials and tail feathers; usually finished in September.



Redwing. Extent postjuveni le moult.

PHENOLOGY

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STATUS IN ARAGON

Winter visitor. Widely distributed throughout the Region in forested areas.



Redwing. 1st year (01-XI).



Redwing. Head pattop (05tern: adult XII); bottom 1st year (01-XI).





Redwing. Breast pattern: left adult (05-XII); right 1st year (01-XI).







Redwing. Upperpart pattern: top left adult (05-XII); top right 1st year with moulted tertials (28-X); left 1st year with unmoulted tertials (05-XII).



Redwing. Tail pattern: left adult (05-XII); right 1st year (05-XII).



Redwing. 1st year: pattern of wing with moulted tertials (28-X).







Redwing. 1st year: pattern of wing with unmoulted tertials (01-XI).



Redwing. Pattern of tertials: top adult/1st year with moulted feathers: top left with pale spot (05-XII); top right without pale spot (28-X); left 1st year with unmoulted feathers (01-XI).



Redwing. Adult: pattern of wing (05-XII).