

379 Wood Warbler

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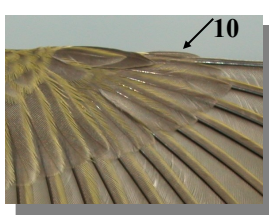


Wood Warbler. Spring (17-IV).

WOOD WARBLER (*Phylloscopus sibilatrix*)

IDENTIFICATION

12-13 cm. Greenish upperparts with yellowish tinge; yellow supercilium and cheek; throat and breast yellow; white belly; pale brown-yellow legs. 10th primary shorter than primary coverts.



Wood Warbler. Pattern of head and underparts and length of 10th primary.

SIMILAR SPECIES

The 10th primary shorter than primary coverts and the contrast between the yellow supercilium, throat and breast and pure white belly make this species different from the other yellow Warblers.



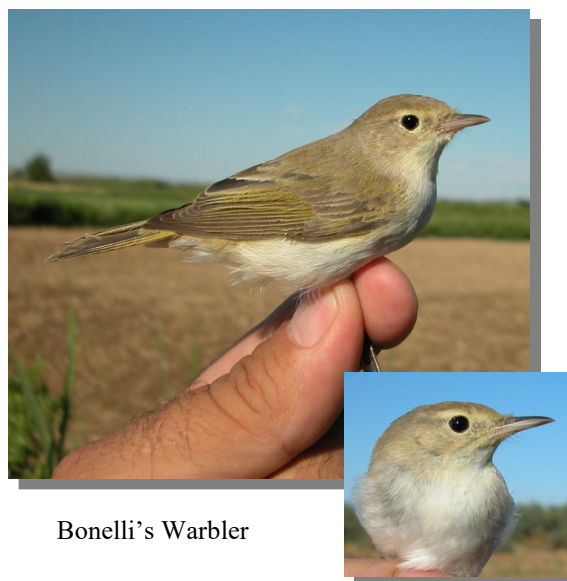
Willow Warbler



Chiffchaff



Iberian Chiffchaff



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SEXING

Plumage of both sexes alike.

AGEING

2 types of age can be recognized:

1st year with fresh plumage; feathers on wing and tail with yellow-green edges.

Adult with feathers on wing and tail worn; if some greater coverts and tertials have been moulted, then with moult limit between the old and new feathers.

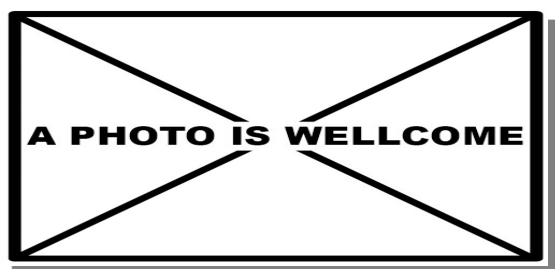
In **spring**, after the **prebreeding** moult, ageing is not possible using plumage characters.



Wood Warbler. Autumn. Ageing. Wear and moult limit on tertials: left adult (Photo: Frank Bracko); right 1st year (Photo: Ondrej Kauzal).



Wood Warbler. Autumn. Ageing. Wear and moult limit on tail: left adult (Photo: Frank Bracko); right 1st year (Photo: Ondrej Kauzal).



Wood Warbler. Autumn. Ageing. Wear of wing coverts: top adult; bottom 1st year (Photo: Ondrej Kauzal).

MOULT

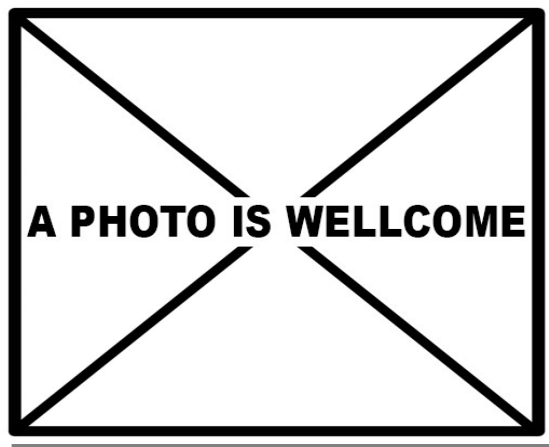
Partial **postbreeding** moult in breeding places, including body feathers and, sometimes, tertials and some greater coverts. Partial **postjuvenile** moult involving only body feathers. Both age classes have a complete **prebreeding** moult in wintering quarters.

PHENOLOGY

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STATUS IN ARAGON

Summer visitor, with breeding records in Fagus forests in Western Pyrenees. Very scarce on passage throughout the Region.



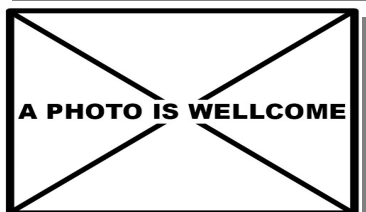
Wood Warbler. Autumn. Adult ().

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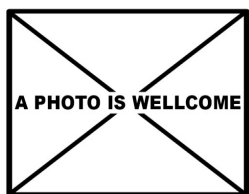
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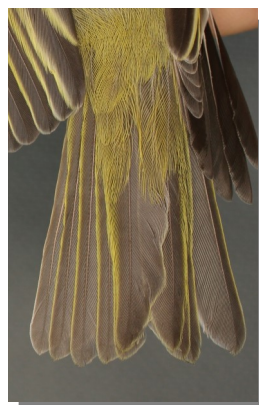
Wood Warbler. Autumn. 1st year (09-VIII) (Photo: Ondrej Kauzal).



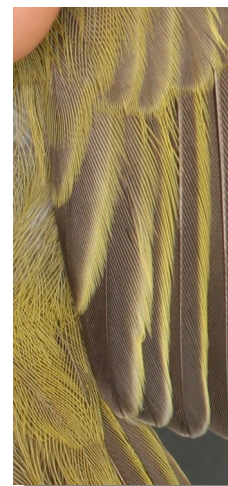
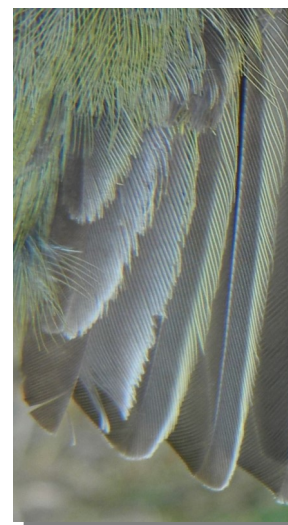
Wood Warbler. Head pattern: top in spring (17-IV); middle adult in autumn (); bottom 1st year (09-VIII) (Photo: Ondrej Kauzal).



Wood Warbler. Breast pattern: top left in spring (17-IV); top right adult in autumn (); left 1st year (09-VIII) (Photo: Ondrej Kauzal).



Wood Warbler. Tail pattern: top left in spring (17-IV); top right adult in autumn (14-VIII) (Photo: Frank Bracko); left 1st year (09-VIII) (Photo: Ondrej Kauzal).



Wood Warbler. Pattern of tertials: top left in spring (17-IV); top right adult in autumn (14-VIII) (Photo: Frank Bracko); left 1st year (09-VIII) (Photo: Ondrej Kauzal).

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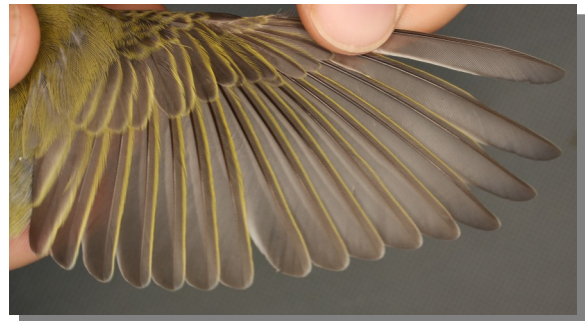
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Wood Warbler. Autumn. Adult: pattern of wing (14-VIII) (Photo: Frank Bracko)



Wood Warbler. Upperpart pattern: top left in spring (17-IV); top right adult in autumn (); left 1st year (09-VIII) (Photo: Ondrej Kauzal).



Wood Warbler. Autumn. 1st year: pattern of wing (09-VIII) (Photo: Ondrej Kauzal).



Wood Warbler. Spring: pattern of wing (17-IV).