NEW BIRDS IN THE PHILATELIC AVIARY Charles E. Braun -BU 1364

Ornithological Updates

About twice a year, J. F. Clements issues a summary of ornithological research that affects his checklist, which we follow in *Biophilately*. Those changes from December 15, 2004, that affect birds on stamps are summarized below:

Brown Kiwi is split into three species. All but three of the Kiwi stamps show the Southern Brown Kiwi, *Apteryx australis*. The North Island Kiwi, *Apteryx mantelli*, (005.001.200) is shown on Laos, 1990, 928, 100 k and Cuba, 1990, MS 3557, 1 peso. The Okarito Brown Kiwi, *Apteryx rowi*, (005.001.100) is shown on New Zealand, 2000, 1694, \$1.80.

Canada Goose is split into two species. All but two issues show the Canada Goose, *Branta canadensis*. The second species, Cackling Goose, *Branta hutchinsii*: is shown on Japan, 1983, 1537, 60 yen (Handbook 106-1, page 11). and Palau, 2000, 570b. 33 cents. It is placed between Barnacle Goose and Canada Goose.

The English name of *Charadrius mongolus* (060.053) has been changed to Lesser Sandplover.

The English name of Eurynorhynchus pygmeus (062.081) has been changed to Spoon-billed Sandpiper.

The English name of *Geotrygon caniceps* (072.140) has been changed to Gray-fronted Quail-Dove.

The English name of Caprimulgus indicus (083.048) has been changed to Gray Nightjar.

The scientific name of Giant Kingfisher (089.085) has been changed to Megaceryle maximus.

Two families of birds, Sharpbill (117) and Plantcutters (113) are now placed at the beginning of the Familly Cotingidae (114). New taxonomic numbers are Sharpbill 114.000.100 and White-tailed Plantcutter 114.000.300.

The scientific name of Dark-faced Ground-tyrant (116.298) has been changed to *Muscisaxicola* maclovianus.

Clapper Lark (122.016) has been split into two species, Cape Clapper Lark, *Mirafra apiata*, and Eastern Clapper Lark, *Mirafra fasciolata*, which is shown on Lesotho, 1988, 621, 10 s.

The scientific name of Gray's Lark (122.052) has been changed to Ammomanopsis grayi.

The scientific name of Blue-and-white Swallow (123.021) has been changed to *Notiochelidon cyanoleuca*.

The scientific name of Greater Striped-Swallow (123.062) has been changed to Cecropsis cucullata.

The scientific name of Lesser Striped-Swallow (123.063) has been changed to Cecropsis abyssinica.

The English name of *Passer melanurus* (191.012) has been changed to Cape Sparrow.

The scientific name of White-throated Munia (193.099) has been changed to Euodice malabarica.

The Lesser Antillean Bullfinch (202.153) has been split into two species. All but one stamp show *Loxigilla noctis*. The Barbados Bullfinch, *Loxigilla barbadensis* is shown on Barbados, 1979, 497, 5 cents. (ATA Handbook 106, page 161).

The English name of Atlapetes latinucha (202.206) has been changed to Yellow-breasted Brush-Finch.

The scientific name of Saffron-cowled Blackbird has been changed to Xanthopsar flavus.

Corrections

Glenn Mertz has pointed out several errors in *Biophilately*:

In *Biophilately* 50 (1) on page 59, Yellow-bellied Elaenia was listed as "new," but was shown on St. Vincent, 1970, 293, \$2.50 (Handbook 106, page 135).

In *Biophilately* 51 (3) on page 123, the Painted Firetail was listed as "new," but actually was shown previously on Niue, 1986, 523, 60 cents, where it was called Painted Finch.

In *Biophilately* 51 (3) on page 154, the duck shown on Tonga, 2001, 1049, 55 cents is the Pacific Black Duck, *Anas superciliosa*.

In *Biophilately* 52 (1) on page 34, the correct taxonomic number for Braun's Bushshrike is 177.014.100.

In *Biophilately* 52 (2) on page 62, the correct scientific name for the Greater Flamingo is *Phoeni-copterus ruber roseus*.

He also pointed out three species that were not added to the aviary when they first appeared on stamps. These are covered below under New Birds.

New Birds

I am including several older issue from Scottish locals, as in *Biophilately* 52 (3). In that issue on page 142, the Yellow-throated Vireo stamp is from Bernera, not Staffa. Also included here are three older "new birds" that were "missed" earlier (Fischer's Turaco, Black-necked Red-Cotinga and Golden Swallow), one that had been listed as unidentified (Straight-billed Hermit) and four that resulted from taxonomic splits (Okarito Brown Kiwi, North Island Brown Kiwi, Cackling Goose and Siberian Stonechat). I am now more systematically dealing with taxonomic changes.



OKARITO BROWN KIWI, *Apteryx rowi* Apterygidae (005.001.100) New Zealand, 2000, 1694, \$1.80

Length: 18 to 22 inches, sexes alike, resident. Grayish with white patches on the head and neck and soft feathers. Habitat: forest.

Range: Two square miles in Okarito Forest, South Island, New Zealand. Reference: TerraNature Trust, New Zealand Ecology, Flightless Birds, 2004.

NORTH ISLAND BROWN KIWI, *Apteryx mantelli* Apterygidae (005.001.200) Laos, 1990, M3557, 100 k

Length: 18 to 22 inches, sexes alike, resident. Dark gray with a reddishbrown cast and stiff feathers. Habitat: forest. Range: North Island, New Zealand. Reference: del Hoyo, J., A. Elliott and J. Sargatal, Eds. Handbook of the Birds of the World, Volume 1





PIED HERON, *Egretta picata* Ardeidae (020.015) Papua New Guinea, 2005, not yet cataloged, 5.20 kina

Length: 17 to 22 inches, sexes alike, resident. Black with a white chin and belly and yellow legs and bill. Habitat: coastal swamps and grasslands. Range: Southern Sulawesi to northern Australia.

Reference: del Hoyo, J., A. Elliott and J. Sargatal, Eds. Handbook of the Birds of the World, Volume 1.

WHITE-FACED HERON, *Egretta novaehollandiae* Ardeidae (020.020) Papua New Guinea, 2005, not yet cataloged, 75 toea [*Ed. Picture quality too poor.*]

Length: 26 to 28 inches, sexes alike, nomadic. Gray with a white face and reddish breast. Habitat: wetlands with shallow water.

Range: Bali, the Sundas, New Guinea, Australia, New Zealand and New Caledonia. Reference: del Hoyo, J., A. Elliott and J. Sargatal, Eds. Handbook of the Birds of the World, Volume 1.



MILKY STORK, *Mycteria cinerea* Ciconiidae (022.002) Malaysia, 2004. not yet cataloged, \$1 The bird on the lower left.

Length: 38 to 40 inches, sexes alike, resident. White with red legs and facial skin and black flight feathers. Habitat: mainly coastal. Range: Southern Southeast Asia, peninsular Malaysia, Sumatra, Java and Sulawesi. Reference: del Hoyo, J., A. Elliott and J. Sargatal, Eds. Handbook of the Birds of the World, Volume 1.



CACKLING GOOSE, *Branta huchinsi* Anatidae (027.028.900) Japan, 1983, 1537, 60 yen

Length: 25 to 30 inches, sexes alike, migratory. Dark with a white face and neck ring.

Habitat: near water.

Range: Breeds from the Aleutians ot Greenland; winters in the southwestern U.S. and Mexico.

Reference: del Hoyo, J., A. Elliott and J. Sargatal, Eds. Handbook of the Birds of the World, Volume 1.



RUFOUS-THIGHED KITE, *Harpagus diodon* Accipitridae (030.027) Surinam, 2004, not yet cataloged, 0.45

Length: 12 to 14 inches, sexes alike, resident. Slate gray above and pale gray below with chestnut thighs.

Habitat: lowland rain forest.

Range: Guianas to northern Argentina.

Reference: del Hoyo, J., A. Elliott and J. Sargatal, Eds. Handbook of the Birds of the World, Volume 2.



RUFOUS CRAB-HAWK, *Buteogallus aequinoctialis* Accipitridae (030.163) Surinam, 2004, not yet cataloged, M

Length: 17 to 18 inches, sexes similar, resident. Fuscous brown above and rufous below with a black head, throat and hindneck and a white-tipped black tail. Habitat: coastal lowlands.

Range: Coastal South America from eastern Venezuela to southern Brazil. Reference: del Hoyo, J., A. Elliott and J. Sargatal, Eds. Handbook of the Birds of the World, Volume 2.



BLACK-AND-WHITE HAWK-EAGLE, *Spizastur melanoleucos* Accipitridae (030.223)

Honduras, 2004, not yet cataloged, 14 lempiras

Length: 20 to 24 inches, 20 to 24 inches, sexes alike, resident. White head and underparts and black above and crown.

Habitat: forest and savanna.

Range: Southern Mexico to Peru and northeastern Argentina.

Reference: del Hoyo, J., A. Elliott and J. Sargatal, Eds. Handbook of the Birds of the World, Volume 2.



WOODFORD'S RAIL, *Nesoclopeus woodfordi* Rallidae (046.038) Solomon Islands, 2004, not yet cataloged, \$2.10

Length: 12 inches, sexes alike, resident. Dark with a long powerful bill.

Habitat: lowland forest.

Range: Bougainville, Santa Isabel and Guadalcanal, Solomon Islands.

Reference: del Hoyo, J., A. Elliott and J. Sargatal, Eds. Handbook of the Birds of the World, Volume 3.

ROVIANA RAIL, *Gallirallus rovianae* Rallidae (046.048) Solomon Islands, 2004, not yet cataloged, \$2.10

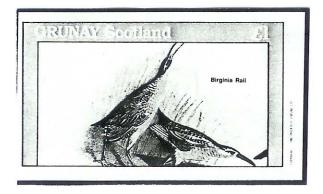
Length: 12 inches, sexes alike, resident. Dark chestnut brown above and mask, and nannowly barred below.

Habitat: secondary growth forest.

Range: Central Solomon Islands.

Reference: del Hoyo, J., A. Elliott and J. Sargatal, Eds. Handbook of the Birds of the World, Volume 3.





VIRGINIA RAIL, *Rallus limicola* Rallidae (046.053) Grunay, 1982, not cataloged, 1 pound

Length: 8 to 10 inches, sexes alike, migatory. Rufous above with a bright rusty breast, long slightly decurved bill, gray cheeks and white-barred black flanks. Habitat: freshwater marshes.

Range: Breeds in southern Canada, the U.S., Mexico and Colombia to Peru. Winters from British Columbia to Peru and the southern U.S.

Reference: del Hoyo, J., A. Elliott and J. Sargatal, Eds. Handbook of the Birds of the World, Volume 3.



PURPLE SANDPIPER, *Calidris maritima* Scolopacidae (062.078) Iceland, 2004, not yet cataloged, 55 krona

Length: 8 inches, sexes alike, migratory. Fringed chestnut (breeding) or slaty gray (winter) with a white belly and a bill with a yellow base. Habitat: rocky coasts.

Range: Breeds in the Arctic; winters along the Atlantic to Portugal and Georgia. Reference: Hayman, P., J. Marchant and T. Prater. Shorebirds.



.RUFOUS-TAILED BUSH-HEN, Amaurornis moluccanus Rallidae (046.083) Solomon Islands, 2004, not yet cataloged, \$2.10

Length: 9 to 12 inches, sexes alike, resident. Brownish olive above and pale gray below with rufous undertail and olive gray legs.

Habitat: dense grass and reeds near fresh water.

Range: Moluccas to the Solomon Islands and eastern Australia. Reference: del Hoyo, J., A. Elliott and J. Sargatal, Eds.

Handbook of the Birds of the World, Volume 3.



SAN CRISTOBAL MOORHEN, *Gallinula silvestris* Rallidae (046.116)

Solomon Islands, 2004, not yet cataloged, \$2.10

Length: 11 inches, sexes alike, resident. Plain brownish black with red legs and a dark blue gray shield. Habitat:: dense undergrowth in mountain forest. Range: San Cristobal, Solomon Islands. Reference: del Hoyo, J., A. Elliott and J. Sargatal, Eds. Handbook of the Birds of the World, Volume 3



PURPLE-CROWNED LORIKEET, *Glossopsitta porphyrocephala* Psittacidae (074.036)

Australia, 2005, not yet cataloged, 50 cents

Length: 6 inches, sexes alike, resident. Green, with a purple crown, orangy ear coverts, red lores and an olive brown mantle.

Habitat: woodland, savanna and scrub. Range: Southern Australia.

Reference: del Hoyo, J., A. Elliott and J. Sargatal, Eds. Handbook of the Birds of the World, Volume 4.



GREEN ROSELLA, *Platycercus caledonicus* Psittacidae (074.081) Australia, 2005, not yet cataloged, 50 cents

Length: 14 inches, sexes similar, resident. Dull green above and yellow head and below with a red frontal band and gray blue chin. Habitat: woodlands. Range: Tasmania and islands in the Bass Strait. Reference: del Hoyo, J., A. Elliott and J. Sargatal, Eds. Handbook of the Birds of the World, Volume 4.



PACIFIC PARAKEET, *Aratinga strenua* Psittacidae (074.204) Honduras, 2004, not yet cataloged, 10 lempiras

Length: 13 inches, sexes alike, resident. Green, yellowish below with a bare pale pinkish gray orbital ring.

Habitat: woodlands and tropical scrub.

Range: Southern Mexico to northern Nicaragua.

Reference: del Hoyo, J., A. Elliott and J. Sargatal, Eds. Handbook of the Birds of the World, Volume 4.



YELLOW-LORED PARROT, *Amazona xantholora* Psittacidae (074.303) Honduras, 2004, not yet cataloged, 20 lempiras

Length: 11 inches, resident. The male (shown on the stamp) is green with yellow lores, white forehead, red face and black ear patches; the female has a bluish forehead and practically no red in the face.

Habitat: open areas, woodlands and margins of humid forests.

Range, Yucatan, Cozumel Island, Belize and Roatan Island, Honduras.

Reference: del Hoyo, J., A. Elliott and J. Sargatal, Eds. Handbook of the Birds of the World, Volume 4.



FISCHER'S TURACO, *Tauraco fischeri* Musophagidae (075.008) Tanzania, 1999, 2163, 500 shillings This species was shown previously on Gambia, 1987, SS708, 15 d. but has not been reported in *Biophilately*.

Length: 16 inches, sexes alike, resident. Greenish blue above with a blackpeaked crimson crest.

Habitat: forest and thickets.

Range: Southern Somalia to Zanzibar.

Reference: del Hoyo, J., A. Elliott and J. Sargatal, Eds. Handbook of the Birds of the World, Volume 4.



PHILIPPINE SCOPS-OWL, *Otus megalotis* Strigidae (078.017) Philippines, 2004, not yet cataloged, 6 p

Length: 9 to 11 inches, sexes alike, resident. Gray brown or rufous above and bufish gray below with white brows and a black hindcollar. Habitat; dense woodlands.

Range: Philippines except Palawan.

Reference: del Hoyo, J., A. Elliott and J. Sargatal, Eds. Handbook of the Birds of the World, Volume 5.



PHILIPPINE EAGLE-OWL, *Bubo philippensis* Strigidae (078.085) Philippines, 2004, not yet cataloged, 6 p

Length: 16 inches, sexes alike, resident. Tawny rufous head and above and buffy white below with black streaks and smallish outward-slanting ear tufts.

Habitat: forest, usually near water.

Range: Philippines except Palawan.

Reference: del Hoyo, J., A. Elliott and J. Sargatal, Eds. Handbook of the Birds of the World, Volume 5.



PHILIPPINE HAWK-OWL, *Ninox philippensis* Strigidae (078.169) Philippines, 2004, not yet cataloged, 6 p

Length: 6 to 8 inches, sexes alike, resident. Dark above and buffy below with spotted wings.

Habitat: forest.

Range: Philippines except Palawan.

Reference: del Hoyo, J., A. Elliott and J. Sargatal, Eds. Handbook of the Birds of the World, Volume 5.



SOLOMON HAWK-OWL, *Ninox jacquinoti* Strigidae (078.179) Solomon Islands, 2004, not yet cataloged, \$5

Length: 9 to 12 inches, sexes alike, resident. Rusty brown with a white throat band and thin brow. Habitat: primary and tall secondary forest. Range: Solomon Islands. Reference: del Hoyo, J., A. Elliott and J. Sargatal, Eds. Handbook of the Birds of the World. Volume 5.



FEARFUL OWL, *Nesasio solomonensis* Strigidae (078.189) Solomon Islands, 2004, not yet cataloged, \$5

Length: 15 inches, sexes alike, resident. Dark brown above, streaked ochre below with yellow eyes, black bill and gray feet. Habitat: primary and tall secondary forest.

Range: Bougainville, Choiseul and Santa Isabel, Solomon Islands. Reference: del Hoyo, J., A. Elliott and J. Sargatal, Eds. Handbook of the Birds of the World, Volume 5.



MARBLED FROGMOUTH, *Podargus ocellatus* Podargidae (081.002) Solomon Islands, 2004, not yet cataloged, \$5

Length: 15 to 19 inches, sexes alike but female slightly darker, resident. Marbled grayish brown. Habitat: humid forest. Range: New Guinea, northern Solomons and eastern Australia. Reference: del Hoyo, J., A. Elliott and J. Sargatal, Eds. Handbook of the Birds of the World, Volume 5.



WHITE-THROATED NIGHTJAR, Eurostopodus

mystacalis Caprimulgidae (083.012) Solomon Isalnds, 2004, not yet cataloged, \$5

Length: 12 to 15 inches, sexes alike, partly migratory. Streaked grayish brown above and spotted brown below with a buffy nuchal collar.

Habitat: forest.

Range: Solomons, New Caledonia and eastern Australia; Australian birds winter in eastern New Guinea.

Reference: del Hoyo, J., A. Elliott and J. Sargatal, Eds. me 5

Handbook of the Birds of the World, Volume 5.



STRAIGHT-BILLED HERMIT, *Phaethornis bourcieri* Trochilidae (086.019) This bird was misidentified in Handbook 106, page 115 and was listed as unidentified in Handbook 106-1, page 2. Surinam, 1966, 328, 6 cents

Length: 5 inches, sexes similar, resident. Olive green above and brownish below with a straight bill. Habitat: understory of *terra firma* rainforest. Range: Colombia to the Guianas, northern Brazil and Peru.

Reference: del Hoyo, J., A. Elliott and J. Sargatal, Eds. Handbook of the Birds of the World, Volume 5



ULTRAMARINE KINGFISHER, *Todirhamphus leucopygius* Alcedinidae 9089.051) Solomon Islands, 2004, not vet cataloged, \$7.50

Length: 8 inches, resident. The male (shown on the stamp) is blue above and white below, collar and back patch; the female lacks the white back patch. Habitat: dense lowland forest. Range: Solomon Islands.

Reference: del Hoyo, J., A. Elliott and J. Sargatal, Eds. Handbook of

the Birds of the World, Volume 6.



MOUSTACHED KINGFISHER, *Actenoides bougainvillei* Alcedinidae (089.069) Solomon Islands, 2004, not yet cataloged, \$7.50

Length: 12 to 13 inches, resident. The male (shown on the stamp) is orangy with a purple blue eyeline, moustache, wings and tail; the female has an olive green lower back. Habitat: forest.

Range: Bougainville and Guadalcanal, Solomon Islands. Reference: del Hoyo, J., A. Elliott and J. Sargatal, Eds. Handbook of the Birds of the World, Volume 6



GREEN-AND-RUFOUS KINGFISHER, *Chloroceryle inda* Alcedinidae (089.092) Surinam, 2004, not yet cataloged, 0.05

Length: 10 inches, resident. The male (shown on the stamp) is dark glossy green above and rufous below; the female is similar with a green and white breast band. Habitat: vegetated streams and river.

Range: Nicaragua to Ecuador, eastern Paraguay and southeastern Brazil. Reference: del Hoyo, J., A. Elliott and J. Sargatal, Eds. Handbook of the Birds of the World, Volume 6.



GREEN-TAILED JACAMAR, *Galbula galbula* Galbulidae (099.011) Surinam, 2004, not yet cataloged, 0.80

Length: 7 to 9 inches, resident. The male (shown on the stamp) is green with rufous chestnut lower underparts and a white throat; the female is similar with a buff throat. Habitat: open woodlands and forest borders. Range: Eastern Colombia to the mouth of the Amazon.

Reference: del Hoyo, J., A. Elliott and J. Sargatal, Eds. Handbook of the Birds of the World, Volume 7.



WHITE-BROWED PICULET, *Sasia ochracea* Picidae (104.031) Nepal, 2004, not yet cataloged, 10 r

Length: 4 inches, resident. The male (shown on the stamp) is rufous with greenish wings and nape, white brow and a yellow patch on the forehead; The female lacks the forehead patch.

Habitat: dense undergrowth.

Range: Himlalayas and southern Chna to southwestern Thailand.

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RED-THROATED BARBET, *Megalaima mystacophanos* Capitonidae (101.011) Eynhallow, 1982, not cataloged, 2 pounds

Length: 9 inches, resident. the male (shown on the stamp is green with a red crown, throat and loral spot and yellow forehead and malar streak; the female has no red throat and the yellow is much paler.

Habitat: forest.

Range: Malay peninsula, Sumatra and Borneo.

Reference: del Hoyo, J., A. Elliott and J. Sargatal, Eds. Handbook of the Birds of the World, Volume 7.

YELLOW-EARED TOUCANET, *Selenidera spectabilis* Ramphastidae (102.025)

Nicaragua, 2004, not yet cataloged, 5 cordobas

Length: 15 inches, resident. The male (shown on the stamp) is black with a yellow ear patch becoming greener around the eye, green wings, chestnut thighs and yellow flank tufts; the female has a chestnut crown and hindneck. Habitat: wet forested slopes and forest edges.

Range: Honduras to northwestern Ecuador.

Reference: del Hoyo, J., A. Elliott and J. Sargatal, Eds. Handbook of the Birds of the World, Volume 7.





WHITE-BACKED FIRE-EYE, Pyriglena leuconotus (Probable)

Thamnophilidae (109.149) Bernera, 1982, not cataloged, 60 pence

Length: 7 inches, resident. The male (shown on the stamp) is black with a red iris and a white interscapular patch (not shown on the stamp). the female is brownish above and buffy below with a red iris and dark tail.

Habitat: forest understorey.

Range: Southern Colombia to northern Paraguay and eastern Brazil. Reference: del Hoyo, J., A. Elliott and J. Sargatal, Eds. Handbook of the Birds of the World, Volume 8.



BLACK-NECKED RED-COTINGA, Phoenicircus nigricollis Cotingidae

(114.001) The bird in the upper right. Mali, 1995, 719b, 200 francs

Length: 9.5 inches, resident. The male (shown on the stamp) is scarlet with a black neck, back, wings and tail tip.; the female is olive brown above, throat and tail tip and pale rosy crimson below with a maroon red crown, and tail . Habitat: lowland evergreen forest.

Range: Southeastern Colombia to northwestern Brazil and northeastern Peru. Reference: Snow, D. The Cotingas.



EASTERN STRIPED MANAKIN,

Machaeropterus regulus Pipridae (115.038.100) Grunay, 1982, not cataloged, 40 pence and 60 pence

Length: 3.75 inches, resident. The male (40 pence stamp) is olive above with a shiny red crown and nape and streaked buffy below: the female (60 pence stamp) lacks the red crown and nape.

Habitat: humid forest and mature secondary woodland. Range: Coastal southeastern Brazil. Reference: Ridgely, R. S. and G. Tudor. The Birds of South America, Volume II.





BLACK-CHEEKED GNATEATER, Conopophaga melanops Conopophagidae (111.007)

[*Ed. Stamp has Rufous Crowned Tody*] Staffa, 1982, not cataloged. 1 pound

Length: 5 inches, resident. The male (shown on the stamp) is brown above and gray below with a rufous cap, black mask and white throat and belly; the female lacks the black mask and has a gray eyestripe and is orange-rufous below. Habitat: forest interior. Range: Coastal Brazil. Reference: del Hoyo, J., A. Elliott and J. Sargatal, Eds. Handbook of the Birds of the World, Volume 8.



GOLDEN-CROWNED SPADEBILL, Platirinchus coronatus (Probable)

Tyrannidae (116.194) Staffa, 1982, not cataloged, 25 pence

Length: 3.4 inches, sexes similar, resident. Olive rufous above and yellowish below with an orange-rufous crown bordered in black and a broad flat bill. Habitat: humid forest. Range: Western Colombia; the Guianas and Amazonin Ecuador, Peru, and Brazil. Reference: Hilty, S. L. and W. L. Brown. Birds of Colombia.



GOLDEN SWALLOW, *Tachycineta euchrysea* Hirundidae (123.018) Saint Vincent and Grenadines, 1998, 2548b, \$1.10

Length: 6 inches, sexes alike, resident. Iridescent bronzy-green above and white below with a forked tail. Habitat: interior uplands. Range: Hispaniola and Jamaica. Reference: Turner, A. and C. Rose. Swallows and Martins.



TAWNY-FLANKED PRINIA, *Prinia subflava* Cisticolidae (139.063) St. Thomas and Prince, 2003, not yet cataloged, 2000 d

Length 4 to 6 inches, sexes alike, resident. Plain gray brown above and plain creamy white below with reddish wings and a white superciliary. Habitat: coarse vegetation along streams. Range: Subsaharan Africa.

Reference: Mackworth-Praed, C. W. and C. H. B. Grant. Birds of Eastern and North Eastern Africa, Volume II.



MELODIOUS WARBLER, *Hippolais polyglotta* Sylviidae (140.109) Turkey, 2004, not yet cataloged, 60,000 lira

Length: 5 inches, sexes alike, migratory. Greenish above and pale yellow below with an eyeline.

Habitat: scrub, underbrush and thickets.

Range: Breeds from France to North Africa; winters in western Africa.

Reference: Etchecopar, R. D. and F. Hue. The Birds of North Africa.



RUEPPELL'S WARBLER, *Sylvia rueppelli* Sylviidae (140.270) Turkey, 2004, not yet cataloged, 250,000 lira

Length: 5.5 inches, migratory. The male (shown on the stamp) is abve and pinkish buff below with a black throat and white moustachial stripe; the female is paler with no moustache or black throat. Habitat: gardens and bushy areas.

Range: Breeds in the eastern Mediterranean; winters in in northeastern Africa. Reference: Etchecopar, R. D. and F. Hue. The Birds of North Africa.



SIBERIAN STONECHAT, *Saxicola maura* Muscicapidae (142.223.100) North Korea, 1988, SG N 2786, 15 cents

Length: 5 inches, migratory. The male (shown on the stamp) is black above and rusty red below with white on the sides of the neck, shoulders and rump. The female is brownish gray above and much paler below. Habitat: dry steppe, damp meadows, plains and hills. Range: Breeds from eastern Turkey to Japan; winters from Iran to Indochina and southern China. Reference: Flint, V. E., R. L. Boehme, Y.V. Kostin, and A. A. Kuznetsov. A Field Guide to the Birds of the USSR.



MARSH TIT, *Poecile palustris* Paridae (160.002) Belgium, 2005, not yet cataloged, 0.03 euro

Length: 4.5 inches, sexes alike, resident. Warm brown above and creamy white below with black cap and chin, white cheeks and pale buff-brown flanks. Habitat: mature deciduous woodland.

Range: Britain to the Caucasus; Siberia to southern and eastern China.

Reference: Harrap, S. and D. Quinn. Chickadees, Tits, Nuthatches & Treecreepers.



BLACK-FACED WOODSWALLOW, *Artamus cinereus* Artamidae (184.009)

Micronesia, 2005, not yet cataloged, 55 cents

Length: 7 inches, sexes alike, resident. Gray with a black mask and white tip to the tail.

Habitat: open areas and scrub.

Range: Lesser Sundas to northern Australia.

Reference: Coates, B. J. and K. D. Bishop. A Guide to the Birds of Walllacea.



GOLDEN-WINGED WARBLER,

Vermivora chrysoptera Parulidae (199.003) Staffa, 1982, not cataloged, 2 pounds

Length: 5 inches, migratory. The male (shown on the stamp) is pearl gray above and whitish below with golden yellow patches on the crown and wings and black cheeks and throat; the female lacks the yellow crown and has gray cheeks and throat.

Habitat: brushy fields and woodland borders. Range: Breeds from Minnesota to New England and northern Georgia; winters from

Guatemala to Venezuela. Reference: Curson, J., D. Quinn and D. Beadle. Warblers of the Americas.



CAPE MAY WARBLER, *Dendroica tigrina* Parulidae (199.017) Staffa, 1982, not cataloged, 60 pence

Length: 5 inches, migratory. The male (shown on the stamp) is olive gray above and streaked yellow below with yellow-bordered orangechestnut ear coverts and white wing patches; the female lacks the orange-chestnut ear coverts and has narrow white wingbars.

Habitat: breeds in boreal forests; winters in open forests, forest edges, parks and gardens. Range: Breeds in Canada and bordering United States; winters mainly in the West Indies. Reference: Curson, J., D. Quinn and D. Beadle. Warblers of the Americas.