ANAS LOBATA.

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CHARACTER GENERICUS.

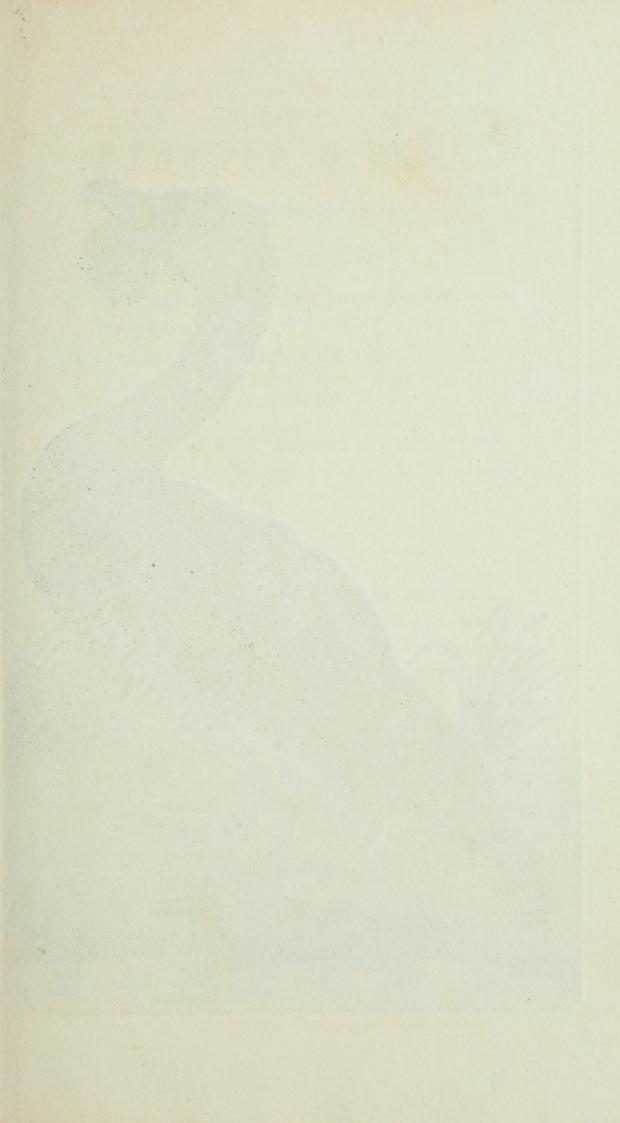
Rostrum lamelloso-dentatum, convexum, obtusum. Lingua ciliata, obtusa.

Lin. Syft. Nat. p. 194.

CHARACTER SPECIFICUS.

ANAS NIGRICANS, transversim griseo-lineata, fubtus pallidior, rostro subtus lobato.

Diftinguitur hæc avis, jam primo defcripta, vultu non tam venufto quam novo et fibi peculiari. Color ejus generalis cinereus eft, collo et inferioribus partibus longe pallidioribus, huc illuc obfcure maculatis. Per dorfum fufco-nigricans et quafi fuligineum tranfverfe ducuntur lineæ plurimæ albidæ, atomique innumeri concolores, ut cernere eft in Caprimulgo Europæo. Præcipuam autem habet avis diftinctionis notam, carunculam nigram, planam, orbiculatam, magnam, quæ longitudinalis dependet a mandibula inferiore. Roftri nigri lata eft bafis, marginibus admodum pectinatis. Nigrant quoque pedes. Cauda acuminata. Rariffima hæc avis in Auftralafia innafcitur, eamque in Britanniam intulit intulit Dominus Archibaldus Menzies, qui una cum Domino Vancouver iter nauticum nuperrime perfecit, explorationis caufa. Magnitudo est quasi Anatis Boschadis. Asservatur specimen in Museo Britannico.





THE

LOBATED DUCK.

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GENERIC CHARACTER.

Bill broad and flattened; the edges marked with fharp lamellæ.

Tongue broad and ciliated at the edges.

SPECIFIC CHARACTER.

BLACKISH DUCK, lineated tranverfely with greyifh, paler beneath: the under mandible lobated beneath.

This bird, which is an entirely new and hitherto undefcribed fpecies, is lefs remarkable for the beauty than the fingularity of its appearance. Its general colour is cinereous, which on the neck and lower parts is much lighter than on the upper, as well as marked obfcurely by feveral dufky fpots. The back is of a very deep afh-colour, or fuliginous blackifh; marked with numerous tranverfe whitifh lines, together with innumerable freckles of a fimilar colour, not unlike thofe on the back and wings of the common Goatfucker, or Caprimulgus Europæus; but the moft fingular character of the bird is a large, black, flat, orbicular flap or wattle, feated longitudinally tudinally beneath the lower mandible. The bill is broad at the bafe; much pectinated at the edges, and black: the legs are alfo of the fame colour: the tail is of a fharpened form. This curious fpecies is a native of New Holland, and is about the fize of a common Duck. The fpecimen is preferved in the Britifh Mufeum, and was brought over by Mr. Archibald Menzies, who accompanied Captain Vancouver in his late voyage.



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