

ÆGIALITIS NIGRIFRONS.

Fig. 1.

Æg. fronte strigâque pone oculos per plumas auriculares ad nucham tendente, fasciâque pectorali, nigris; strigâ superciliari ad nucham ductâ, et super vittam nigram, albâ; vertice, dorso, tertialibus, alâque mediâ fuscis; scapularibus intèse castaneis; tetricibus ale majoribus albis, primariis nigris; gula, abdomine, crisoque albis; rectricibus caudæ duabus intermediis ad basin fuscis, ad apicem nigris; tribus proximis ad basin albis, in fusco transeuntibus, et albo terminatis, reliquis albis; rostro ad basin aurantiaco, ad apicem nigro; pedibus aurantiacis.

Long. tot. $6\frac{1}{2}$ unc.; rostri, $\frac{5}{8}$; alæ, $4\frac{1}{4}$; caudæ, $2\frac{1}{4}$; tarsi, 1.

Forehead, a stripe commencing at the eye passing over the ear-coverts and round the back of the neck, and a broad band crossing the chest and advancing somewhat down the centre of the breast, black; a stripe of white passes over each eye and continues round the back of the neck, separating the black band from the crown, which with the back, the long tertials, and the middle of the wing are brown; scapularies deep chestnut; tips of the greater coverts white, forming an obscure band across the wing; primaries black; throat, abdomen, and under tail-coverts white; two middle tail-feathers brown at the base and black at the tip; the next three on each side white at the base gradually passing into blackish brown and largely tipped with white, the remainder entirely white; bill orange at the base and black at the tip; feet orange.

SYN. *Charadrius nigrifrons*, Cuv. in Mus. Paris.—Temm. Pl. Col., 47. fig. 1.—Wagl. Syst. Av., sp. 20.

— *melanops*, Vieill., Nouv. Dict. d'Hist. Nat., p. 139.

Habitat. Australia: locality, New South Wales.

ÆGIALITIS MONACHUS.

Fig. 2.

Æg. capite, collo anticè fasciâque dorsali fuliginoso-atris; nuchâ corporeque subtùs albis; dorso scapularibus tertiaris que cano-fuscis; alâ mediâ, pogoniis internis primarium ad basin secundariis que albis; pogoniis primarium externâ internâque, parte basali exceptâ, nigris; rectricibus caudæ duabus intermediis nigris, tribus sequentibus externis ad apicem et ad basin albis, parte centrali nigrâ, rectricibus reliquis albis; rostro ad basin aurantiaco, ad apicem nigro; pedibus aurantiacis.

Long. tot. $8\frac{1}{4}$ unc.; rostri, $\frac{3}{4}$; alæ, $5\frac{1}{4}$; caudæ, $2\frac{1}{2}$; tarsi, 1.

Head, fore part of the neck, and a band across the upper part of the back sooty black; back of the neck and all the under surface white; back, shoulders, and tertials greyish brown; centre of the wing and the basal portion of the internal webs of the primaries and secondaries white, the rest black; two middle tail-feathers black; the three next on each side white at the base and tip and black in the centre; the remaining feathers wholly white; bill orange at the base and black at the tip; legs orange.

SYN. *Charadrius Monachus*, Geoff. in Mus. Paris.—Wagl. Syst. Av., sp. 15.

— *cucullatus*, Vieill., Nouv. Dict. d'Hist. Nat., p. 136.

Habitat. Australia.

ÆGIALITIS BICINCTUS.

Fig. 3.

Æg. suprà brunnescens, fasciis flavescentibus; fronte albo; subtùs albus, cingulo pectorali nigro; altero abdominali castaneo; lunulâ frontali albâ; hujus ad marginem superiorem plumis nigris; primariis ad margines externas nigrescenti-fuscis, ad internas pallidioribus; gula albâ, lineâ angustâ nigrâ, circumdatâ, ad lorum oriente, per colli latera tendente et in vittam latam pectoralem mergente; transversâ vittâ abdominali abdomineque medio latè castaneis; abdomine reliquo albo; rectricibus caudæ duabus intermediis cinerascenti-fuscis; rectricibus reliquis pallidioribus, externis duabus albis; rostro ad apicem nigro, ad basin flavescente; pedibus nigri-viridibus.

Long. tot. $6\frac{3}{4}$ unc.; rostri, $\frac{5}{8}$; alæ, $4\frac{5}{8}$; caudæ, $2\frac{5}{8}$; tarsi, $1\frac{1}{8}$.

A broad stripe of white crosses the forehead, above which the feathers are black, which colour gradually passes into the uniform pale brown which covers the whole of the upper surface; outer webs of the primaries blackish brown; inner webs paler; throat white, surrounded with a narrow line of black which commences above the upper mandible and continues down the sides of the neck and forms a broad band across the breast; across and down the centre of the abdomen a broad band of bright chestnut; the rest of the under surface pure white; two centre tail-feathers greyish brown, those on each side paler, and the exterior ones white; bill black at the tip, yellowish at the base; feet blackish green.

SYN. *Charadrius bicinctus*, Jard. and Selb., Ill. Orn., vol. i. pl. 28.

— *Chestnut-breasted Plover*, Lath. Gen. Hist., vol. ix. p. 324.

Habitat. Australia: locality, New Holland.



1. *Ægialitis nigrirostris.*

2. *monachus.*

3. *bicinctus.*



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