



- The following pages have some identification markers for each of the Cuckooshrike found in India
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List of Cuckooshrike found in India

Sno.	Name	Binomial Name
Cuckooshrike		
1	Bar-bellied Cuckooshrike	<i>Coracina striata</i>
2	Black Headed Cuckooshrike	<i>Coracina melanoptera</i>
3	Black-winged Cuckooshrike	<i>Coracina melaschistos</i>
4	Large Cuckooshrike	<i>Coracina macei</i>

Bar-bellied Cuckooshrike Identification Tips

Bar-bellied Cuckooshrike : *Coracina striata* : Resident of Andamans in India

Iris is straw-yellow/ dark brownish red; Black eyering

Black lores

Head & Crown are dark plumbeous grey

Black Bill

Upperparts are dark plumbeous grey

Black wings

Underparts are pale plumbeous grey

Legs are black

Black tail

Head & Crown are dark Ashy grey

Upperparts are dark Ashy grey

Chin to breast are Ashy grey

Lower back to uppertail-coverts barred black and white

Wings black, edged ashy grey

Underparts barred black and white

Female

Male

Difference from male

Important id point

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Black Headed Cuckooshrike Identification Tips

Black Headed Cuckooshrike: *Coracina melanoptera*: Widespread Passage migrant, Breeds in Central India, Resident of Western Ghats in India

Head & Crown are brownish-grey

White eyering

White Supercilium

Black Bill

Iris is dark red-brown

Head & Crown are dark slate-grey

Black Moustachial area, cheek & ear-coverts

Black chin & Throat

Upperparts are pale grey

Coverts with broad pale fringes

Darker grey wings

Rump white, upper rump barred black

Black tail

Upperparts are sooty black

Underparts are buffy white, widely barred dark brown

Underparts pale grey, more White on Belly

Male

Legs are black

Female

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White abdomen

Difference from male

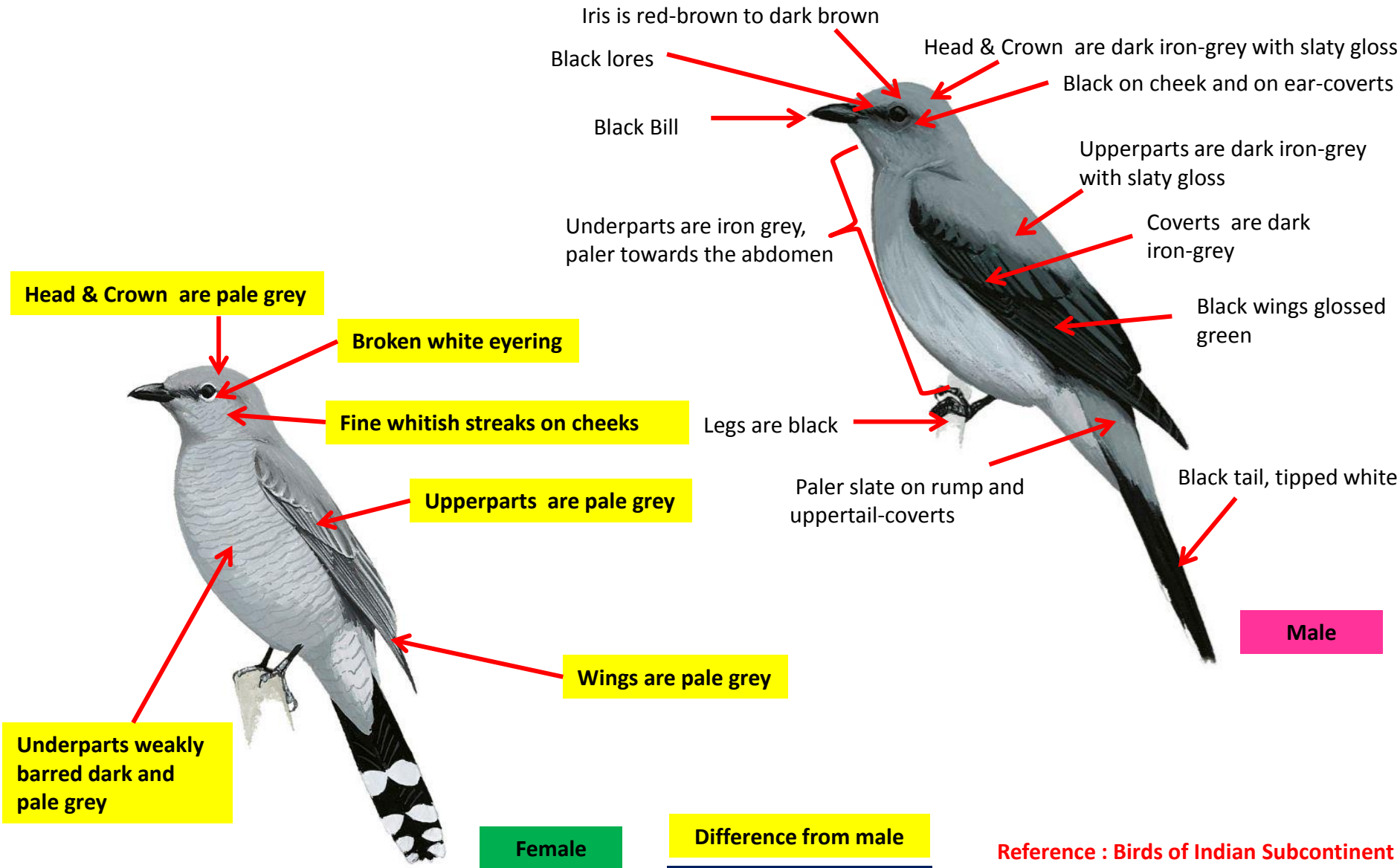
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Black-winged Cuckooshrike Identification Tips

Black-winged Cuckooshrike : *Coracina melaschistos*: Resident of in Himalayas & Hills of North East India; Winters in Foothills of Himalayas, East & North East India



Iris is red-brown to dark brown

Black lores

Head & Crown are dark iron-grey with slaty gloss

Black on cheek and on ear-coverts

Black Bill

Upperparts are dark iron-grey with slaty gloss

Underparts are iron grey, paler towards the abdomen

Coverts are dark iron-grey

Head & Crown are pale grey

Broken white eyering

Black wings glossed green

Fine whitish streaks on cheeks

Legs are black

Paler slate on rump and uppertail-coverts

Black tail, tipped white

Upperparts are pale grey

Wings are pale grey

Male

Underparts weakly barred dark and pale grey

Female

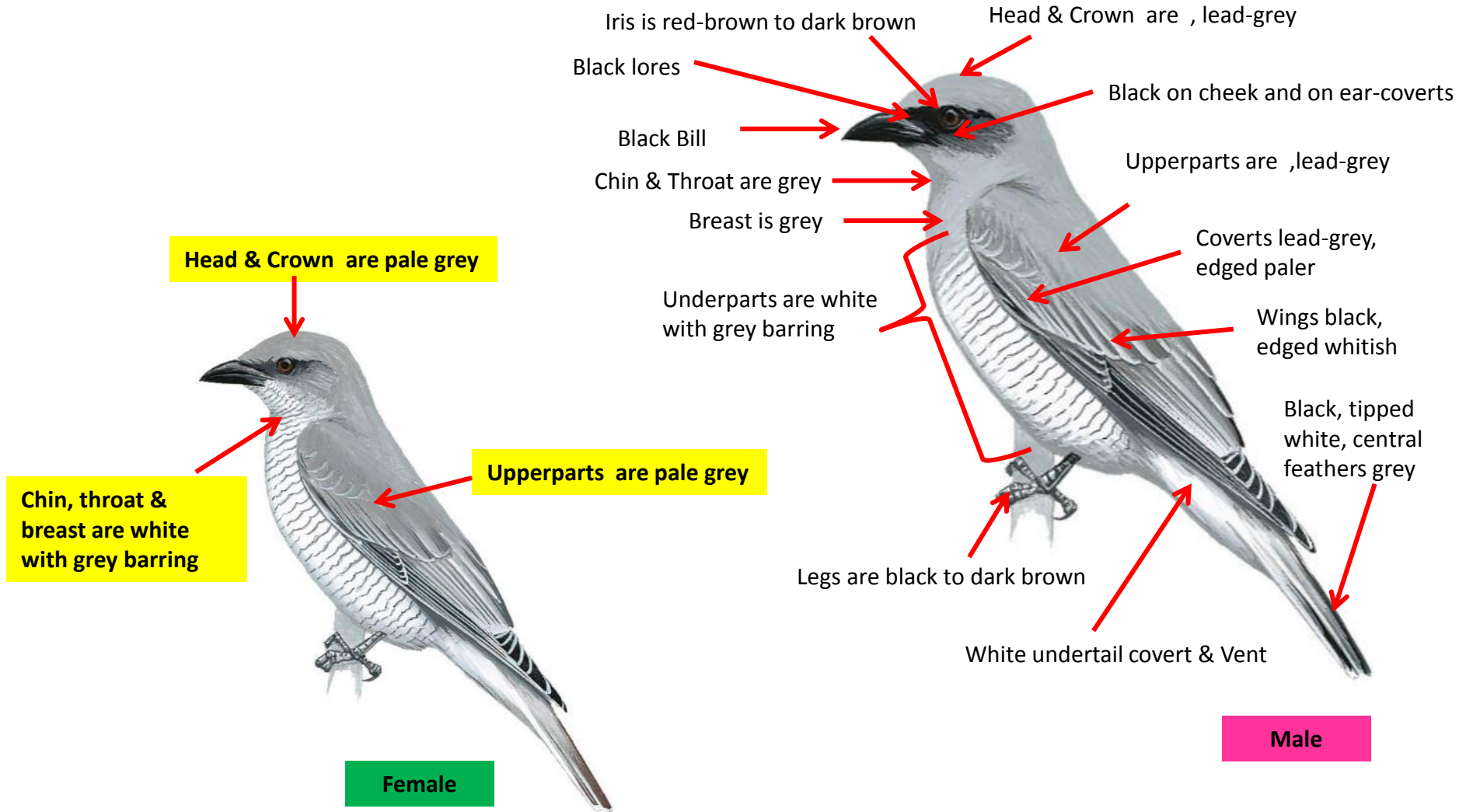
Difference from male

Important id point

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Large Cuckooshrike Identification Tips

Large Cuckooshrike : *Coracina macei* : Widespread resident in India (except North West India)



Difference from male

Important id point

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