



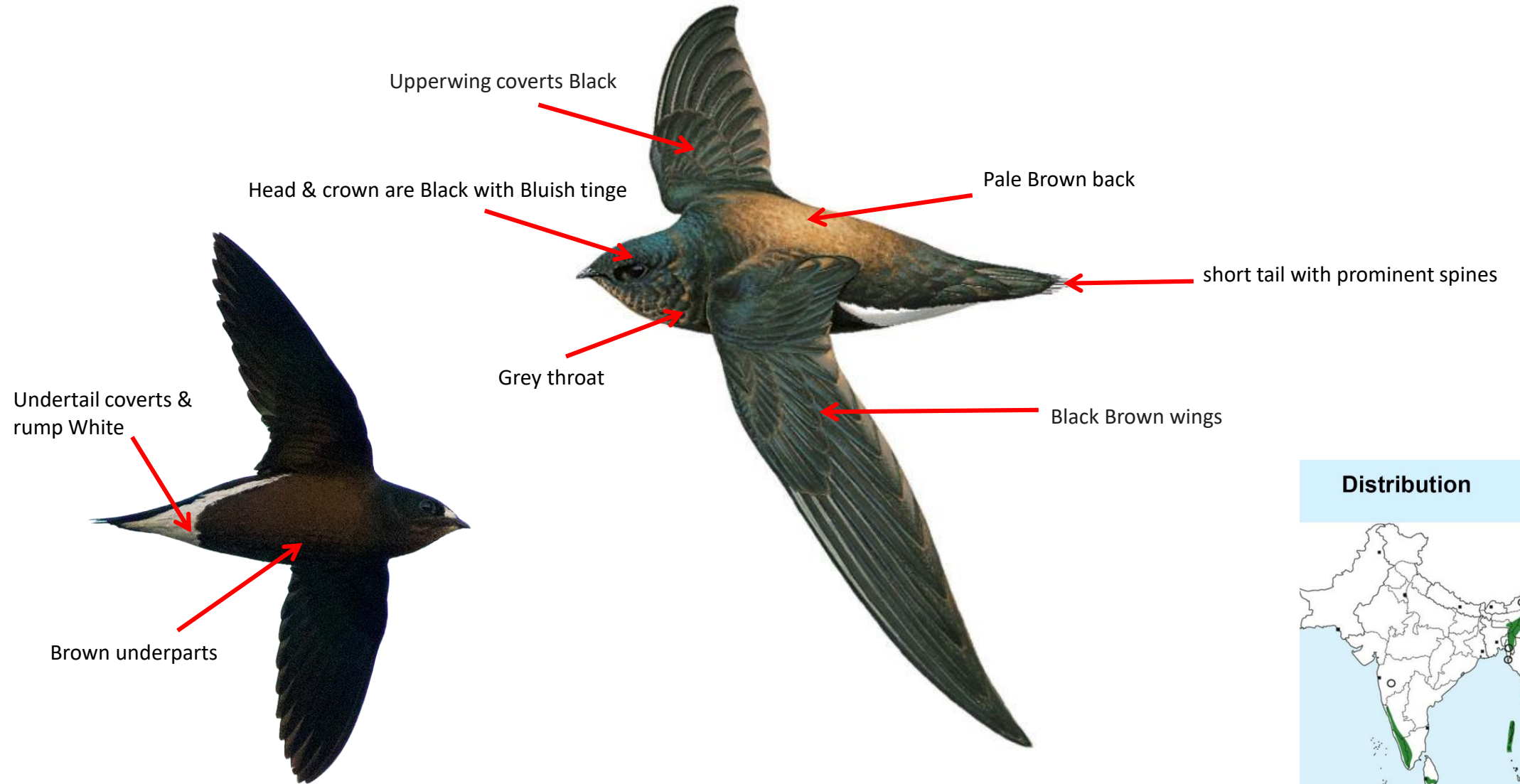
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# List of Needletail found in India

<b>Sno.</b>	<b>Name</b>	<b><i>Binomial Name</i></b>
<b>1</b>	<b>Brown-backed Needletail</b>	<b><i>Hirundapus giganteus</i></b>
<b>2</b>	<b>Silver-backed Needletail</b>	<b><i>Hirundapus cochinchinensis</i></b>
<b>3</b>	<b>White-rumped Needletail</b>	<b><i>Zoonavena sylvatica</i></b>
<b>4</b>	<b>White-throated Needletail</b>	<b><i>Hirundapus caudacutus</i></b>

# Brown-backed Needletail identification Tips

**Brown-backed Needletail : *Hirundapus giganteus***: Resident of hill of North East & Western Ghats in India



Undertail coverts & rump White

Brown underparts

Upperwing coverts Black

Head & crown are Black with Bluish tinge

Grey throat

Pale Brown back

short tail with prominent spines

Black Brown wings

## Distribution



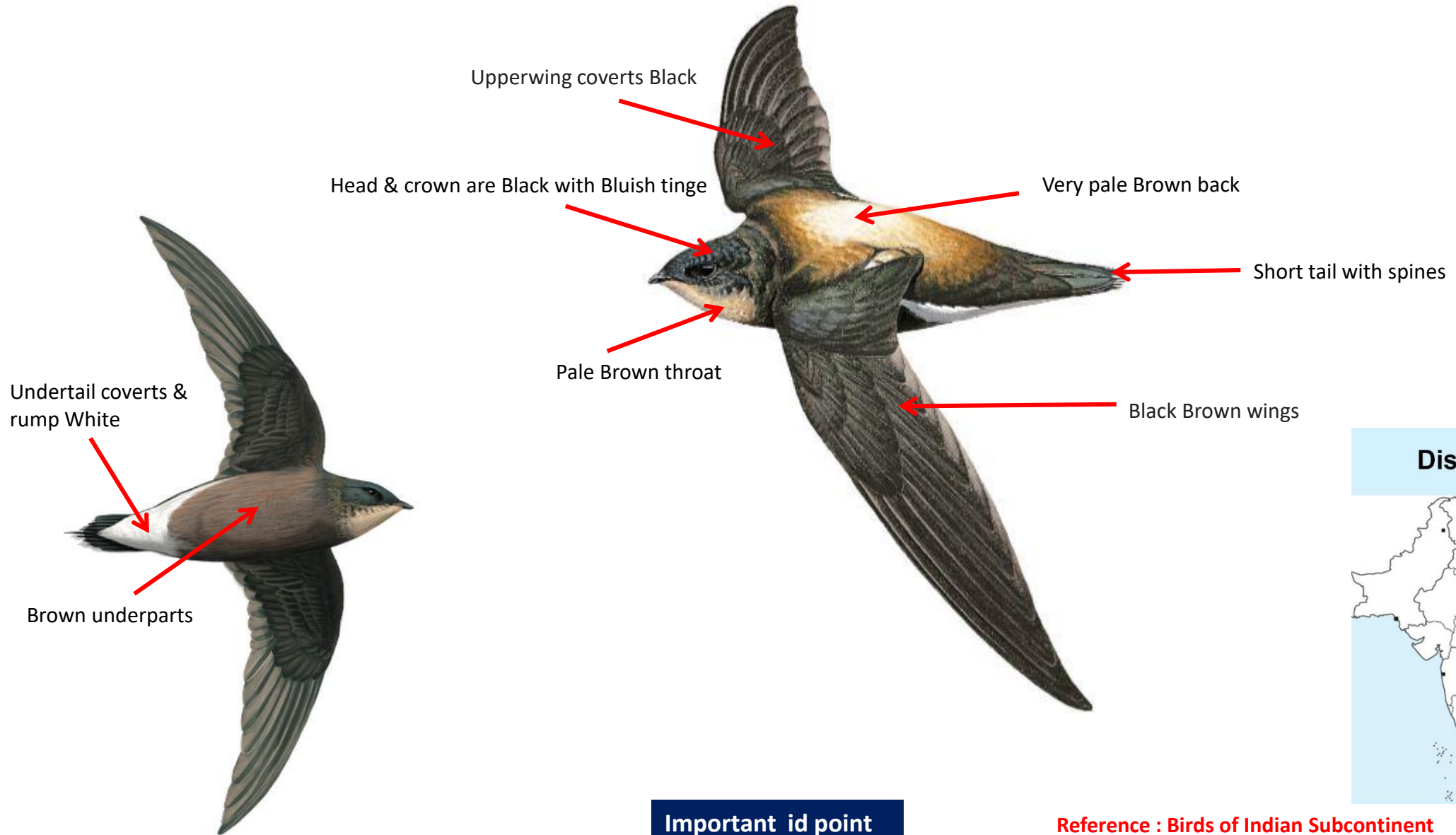
**Important id point**

**Both sexes are similar**

Reference : **Birds of Indian Subcontinent**  
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# Silver-backed Needletail identification Tips

**Silver-backed Needletail : *Hirundapus cochinchinensis***: Resident of East Himalayas & hills of North East India



## Distribution



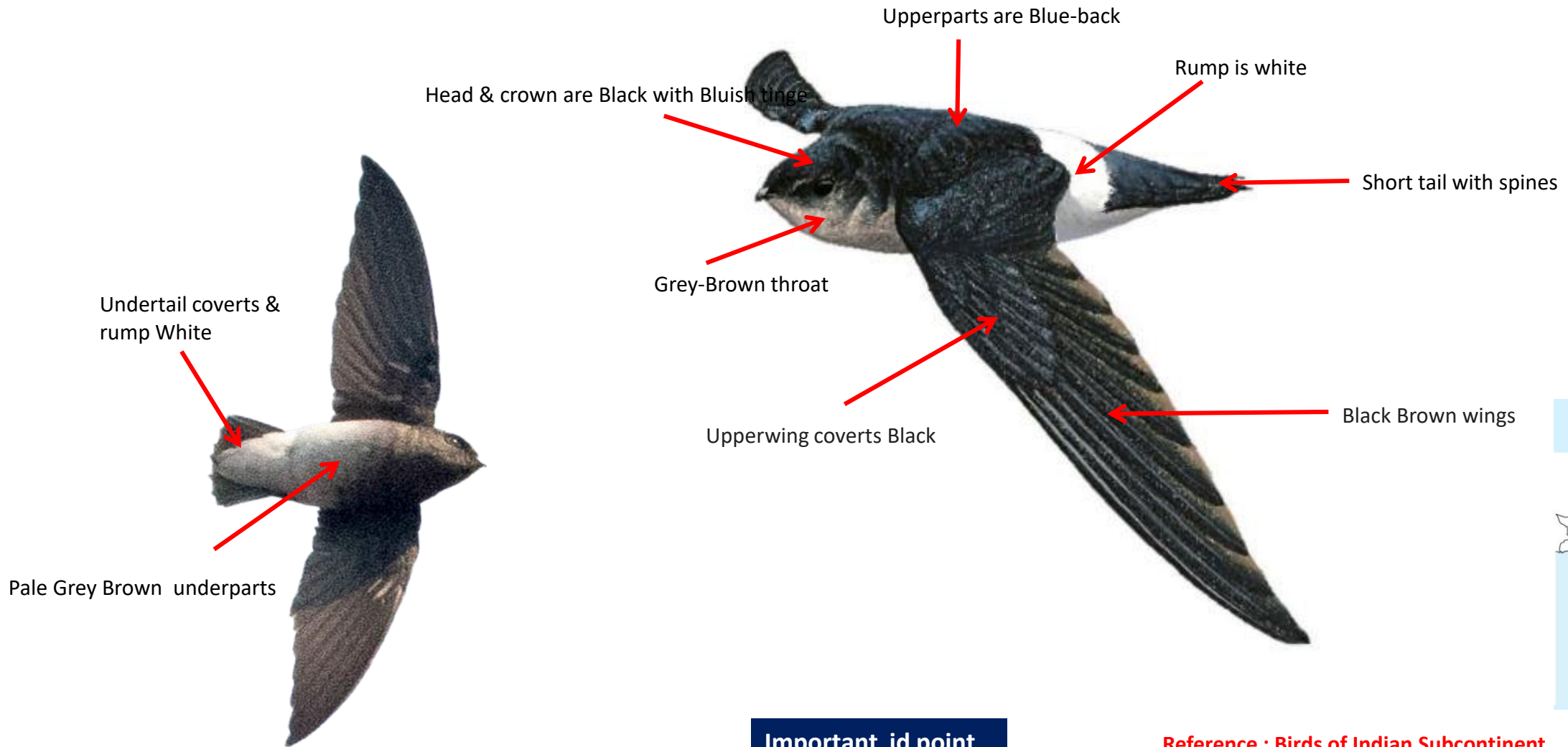
**Important id point**

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# White-rumped Needletail identification Tips

White-rumped Needletail : *Zoonavena sylvatica*: Resident of Himalayas ,East, South West & North East India



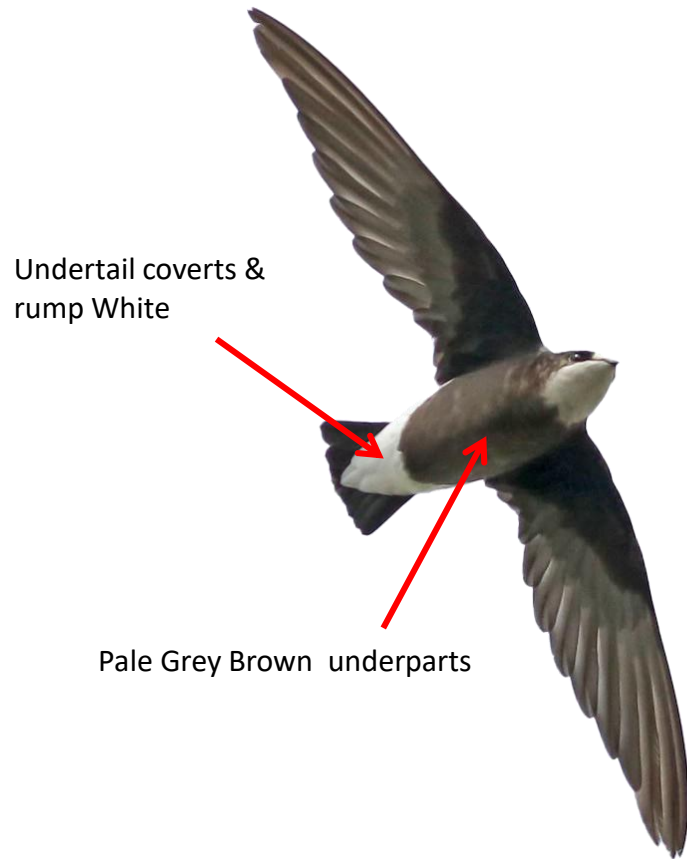
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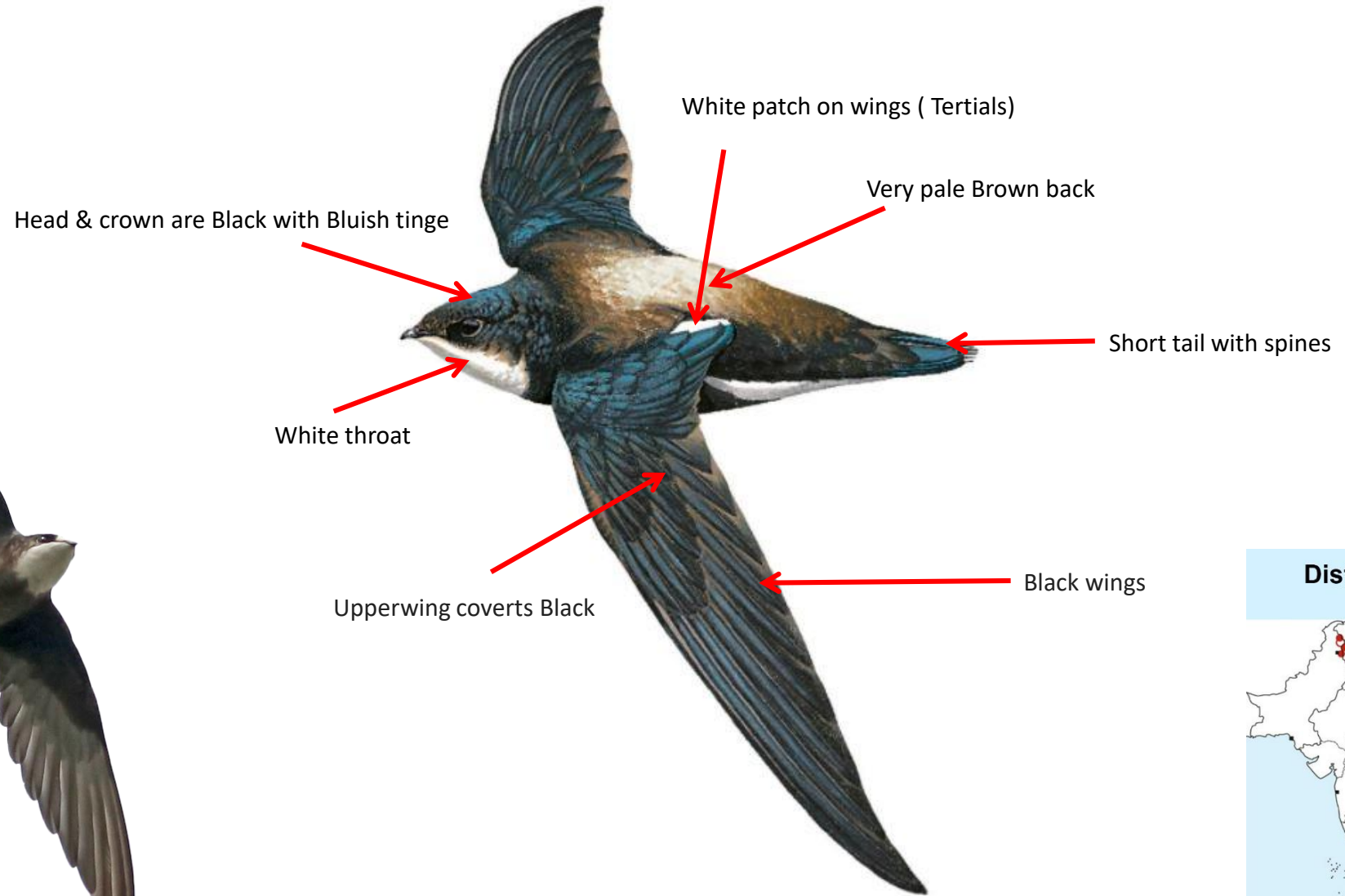
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# White-throated Needletail identification Tips

**White-throated Needletail : *Hirundapus caudacutus*** : Summer visitor to Himalayas & North East India

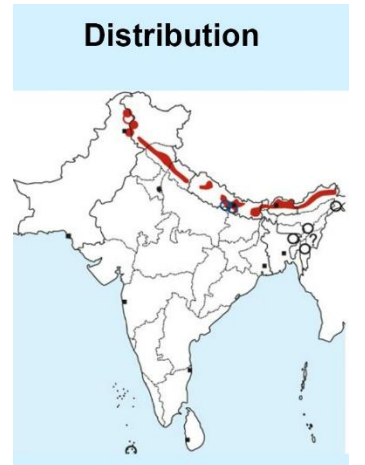


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