

428 Serin



Serin. Summer. Adult. Male (16-VI).

SERIN (*Serinus serinus*)

IDENTIFICATION

11-12 cm. Yellowish upperparts, with dark streaks; white and straked underparts; yellow rump; tiny little bill; yellow throat and forehead in **males**, streaked in **females**.

SIMILAR SPECIES

Among the yellow and green **Finches**, **Greenfinch** has a bigger size (14-15 cm). **Female Siskin** has a broader wing band and yellow patches on tail feathers. **Citril Finch** has unstreaked flanks or, in juveniles, streaks are very fine.



Top left Greenfinch; top right female Siskin; left Citril Finch.

SEXING

Male with yellow and unstreaked forehead, throat and breast; **female** with dark brown streaked forehead; greenish white crown, throat and breast. **Juveniles** cannot be sexed using plumage characters. **CAUTION:** there are some intermediate specimens (streaked forehead and yellow throat and breast) which cannot be sexed.

AGEING

3 types of age can be recognized:

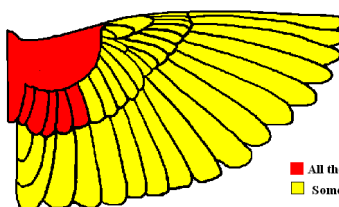
Juvenile recalls a **female** but is more buffish-white; has streaked rump and fresh plumage.

1st year autumn/2nd year spring with moult limit between retained juvenile tail feathers (pointed and worn) and moulted (rounded) (**CAUTION:** some birds with large moult can change all tail feathers); on the wing, depending of the moult extension, the moult limit can be found between greater coverts, between primary coverts, on carpal covert and alula or between flight feathers (with moult limit on wing feathers; if all the greater coverts have been moulted, then limit is between carpal covert and alula (**CAUTION:** some birds have a complete **postjuvenile** moult).

Adult without moult limits on tail (all feathers rounded) and wing.

MOULT

Complete **postbreeding** moult, often finished in November. Usually partial **postjuvenile** moult, which includes body feathers, lesser and median coverts and most of the greater coverts; some specimens moult all the greater coverts and tertials, being a complete moult in a few number; often the central pair of tail feathers can be moulted and sometimes all the tail; usually finished in October.



Serin. Extent of postjuvenile moult.

■ All the specimens
■ Some specimens

PHENOLOGY

I	II	III	IV	V	VI	VII	VIII	IX	X	XI	XII

STATUS IN ARAGÓN

Resident, with contribution of wintering European birds. Widely distributed throughout the Region, absent from the highest zones of the Pyrenees and the most deforested areas of the Ebro Basin.

428 Serin



Serin. Summer. Adult. Female (10-VI).



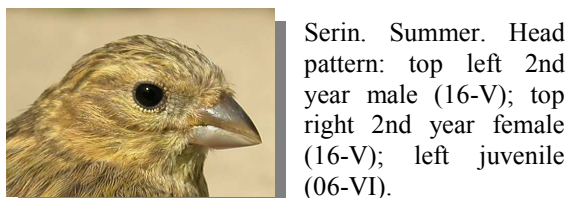
Serin. Summer. Juvenile (06-VI).



Serin. Summer. 2nd year. Male (16-V).



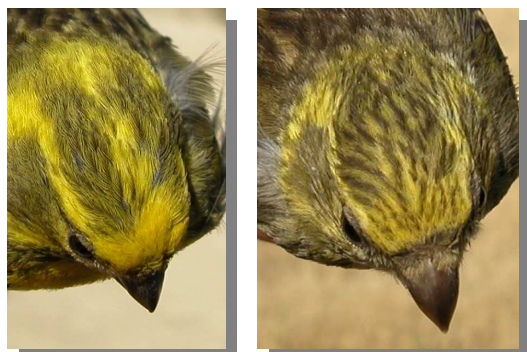
Serin. Summer. Adult. Head pattern: left male (16-V); right female (10-VI).



Serin. Summer. Head pattern: top left 2nd year male (16-V); top right 2nd year female (16-V); left juvenile (06-VI).

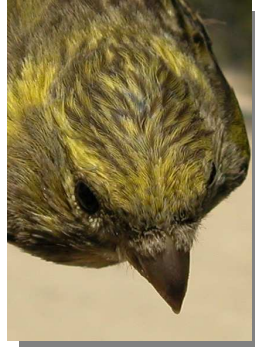


Serin. Summer. 2nd year. Female (16-V).



Serin. Summer. Adult. Crown pattern: left male (16-V); right female (10-VI).

428 Serin



Serin. Summer. Crown pattern: top left 2nd year male (16-V); top right 2nd year female (16-V); left juvenile (06-VI).



Serin. Summer. Adult. Upperpart pattern: left male (16-V); right female (10-VI).



Serin. Summer. Adult. Breast pattern: left male (16-V); right female (10-VI).

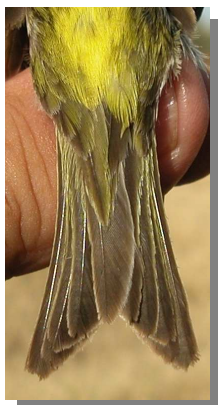


Serin. Summer. Breast pattern: top left 2nd year male (16-V); top right 2nd year female (16-V); left juvenile (06-VI).



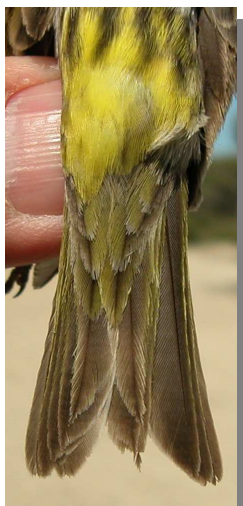
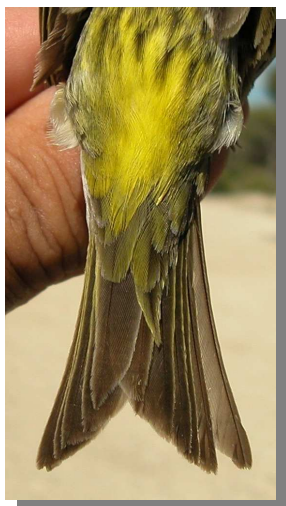
Serin. Summer. Upperpart pattern: top left 2nd year male (16-V); top right 2nd year female (16-V); left juvenile (06-VI).

428 Serin



Serin. Summer. Adult. Pattern of primary coverts: top male (16-V); bottom female (10-VI).

Serin. Summer. Adult. Tail pattern: left male (16-V); right female (10-VI).



Serin. Summer. Pattern of primary coverts: top 2nd year male (16-V); middle 2nd year female (16-V); bottom juvenile (03-VII).



Serin. Summer. Tail pattern: top left 2nd year male (16-V); top right 2nd year female (16-V); left juvenile (06-VI).



Serin. Summer. Adult. Male: pattern of wing (06-VI).

428 Serin



Serin. Summer. Adult. Female: pattern of wing (10-VI).



Serin. Winter. Adult. Male (10-X).



Serin. Summer. 2nd year. Male: pattern of wing (06-VI).



Serin. Winter. 1st year. Male (10-X).



Serin. Summer. 2nd year. Female: pattern of wing (06-VI).



Serin. Winter. Adult. Female (30-IX).



Serin. Summer. Juvenile: pattern of wing (06-VI).

428 Serin



Serin. Winter. 1st year. Female (10-X).



Serin. Winter. 1st year. Crown pattern: left male (10-X); right female (10-X).



Serin. Winter. Adult. Head pattern: left male (10-X); right female (30-IX).



Serin. Winter. Adult. Breast pattern: left male (10-X); right female (30-IX).



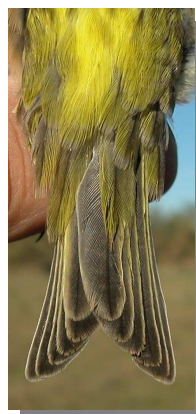
Serin. Winter. 1st year. Head pattern: left male (10-X); right female (10-X).



Serin. Winter. 1st year. Breast pattern: left male (10-X); right female (10-X).



Serin. Winter. Adult. Crown pattern: left male (10-X); right female (30-IX).



Serin. Winter. Adult. Tail pattern: left male (10-X); right female (30-IX).

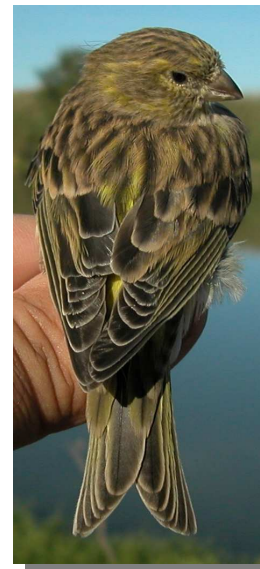
428 Serin



Serin. Winter. 1st year. Pattern of primary coverts: top male (10-X); bottom female (10-X).



Serin. Winter. 1st year. Tail pattern: top left male (10-X); top right female (10-X); left female with large moult (30-IX).



Serin. Winter. Adult. Upperpart pattern: left male (10-X); right female (30-IX).



Serin. Winter. Adult. Pattern of primary coverts: top male (10-X); bottom female (30-IX).

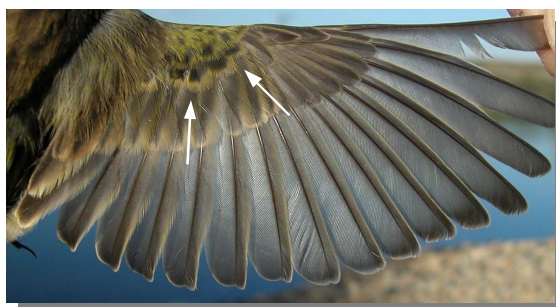
428 Serin



Serin. Winter. 1st year. Upperpart pattern: left male (10-X); right female (10-X).



Serin. Winter. 1st year. Male: pattern of wing (10-X).



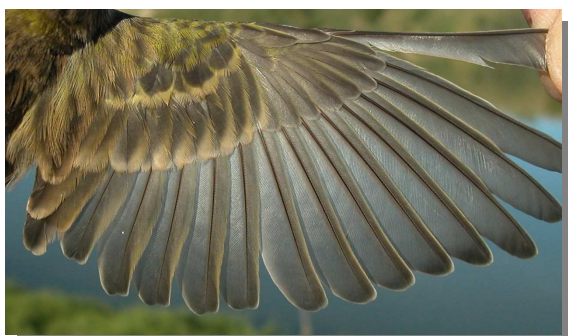
Serin. Winter. 1st year. Female: pattern of wing with small moult (30-IX).



Serin. Winter. Adult. Male: pattern of wing (10-X).



Serin. Winter. 1st year. Female: pattern of wing with large moult (10-X).



Serin. Winter. Adult. Female: pattern of wing (30-IX).



Serin. Winter. 1st year. Female: pattern of wing (10-X).