



Fieldfare. Adult. Male (09-I).



### **FIELDFARE** (Turdus pilaris)

### **IDENTIFICATION**

25-26 cm. Grey head; red-brown back; grey rump and dark tail; pale underparts; pale flanks spotted black; white underwing coverts; yellow bill with ochre tip.



Fieldfare. Pattern of head, underwing coverts and flank.



### **SIMILAR SPECIES**

**Song Thrush** has orange underwing coverts; **Redwing** has reddish underwing coverts; **Mistle Thrush** has white underwing coverts, but lacks pale supercilium and its rump isn't grey.





Mistle Thrush



#### **SEXING**

Male with dark or black tail feathers; reddish feathers on back, with blackish tinge on the middle; most have broad spot on crown feathers. Female with dark brown tail feathers; dull reddish feathers on back, with dark tinge on the middle; most have thin spot on crown feathers. CAUTION: some birds of both sexes can have similar pattern on crown feathers.



Fieldfare.
Sexing. Pattern of crown feathers: top male; bottom female.





Fieldfare. Sexing. Pattern of upperparts: left male; right female.





Fieldfare. Sexing. Pattern of tail: left male; right female.

### **AGEING**

Since this species doesn't breed in Aragon, only 2 types of age can be recognized:

**1st year autumn/2nd year spring** with contrast between moulted chestnut inner greater coverts and juvenile shorter and duller with traces of white tips outer greater coverts; pointed tail feathers. **CAUTION:** pattern of white tip of greater wing coverts is very variable,

**Adult** without moult limits on wing coverts; rounded tail feathers.



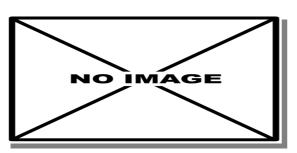


Fieldfare. Ageing. Pattern of tips of tail feathers: left adult; right 1st year.









Fieldfare. Male. Ageing. Moult limit on wing coverts: top adult; bottom 1st year.

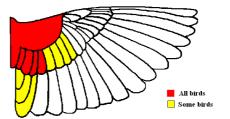




Fieldfare. Female. Ageing. Moult limit on wing coverts: top adult; bottom 1st year.

### **MOULT**

Complete **postbreeding** moult, finished on September. Partial **postjuvenile** moult including body feathers, lesser and median coverts and a variable number of greater coverts; sometimes some birds change tertials and some tail feathers; usually finished between July and October.



Fieldfare. Extent of postjuve n i l e moult.

#### **PHENOLOGY**

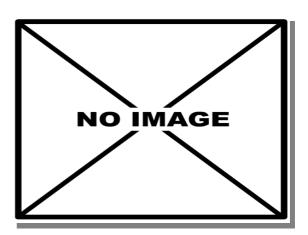
I	II	III	IV	V	VI	VII	VIII	IX	X	XI	XII

### STATUS IN ARAGON

Wintering species, widely distributed throughout the Region, mainly in places with open trees.



Fieldfare. Adult. Female (05-XII).



Fieldfare. 1st year. Male ().







Fieldfare. 2nd year. female (09-I).

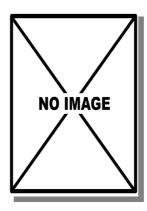




Fieldfare. Adult. Crown pattern: left male (); right female (05-XII).



Fieldfare. Adult. Head pattern: top male (09-1); bottom female (05-XII).





Fieldfare. 2nd year. Crown pattern: left male (); right female (09-I).



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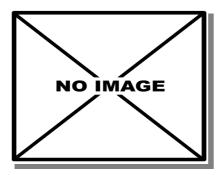
Fieldfare. 2nd year. Head pattern: top male (); bottom female (09-I).





Field fare. Adult. Pattern of crown feathers: top male (09-1); bottom female (05-XII).







Fieldfare. 2nd year. Pattern of crown feathers: top male (); bottom female (09-I).

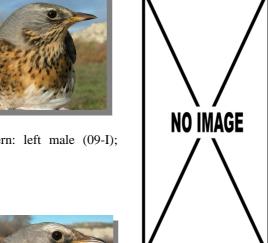


Fieldfare. Adult. Upperpart pattern: left male (09-I); right female (05-XII).





Fieldfare. Adult. Breast pattern: left male (09-I); right female (05-XII).







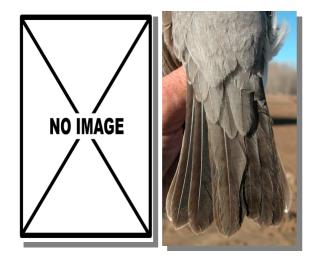


Fieldfare. 2nd year. Breast pattern: left male (); right female (09-I).

Fieldfare. 2nd year. Upperpart pattern: left male (); right female (09-I).



Fieldfare. Adult. Tail pattern: left male (09-I); right female (05-XII).



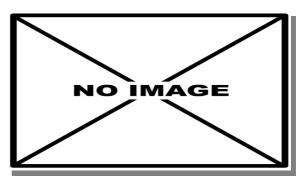
Fieldfare. 2nd year. Tail pattern: left male (); right female (09-I).



Fieldfare. Adult. Male: pattern of wing (09-I).



Fieldfare. Adult. Female: pattern of wing (05-XII).



Fieldfare. 1st year. Male: pattern of wing ().



Fieldfare. 2nd year. Female: pattern of wing (09-I).