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Mistle Thrush. Summer. Adult (02-VII).

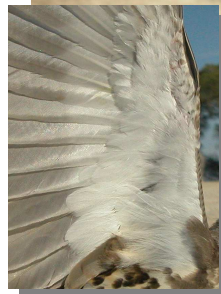
MISTLE THRUSH (*Turdus viscivorus*)

IDENTIFICATION

26-27 cm. Brownish upperparts; whitish underparts, strongly streaked; brown wings with grey edged feathers; brown tail, with paler outermost feathers; white underwing coverts.

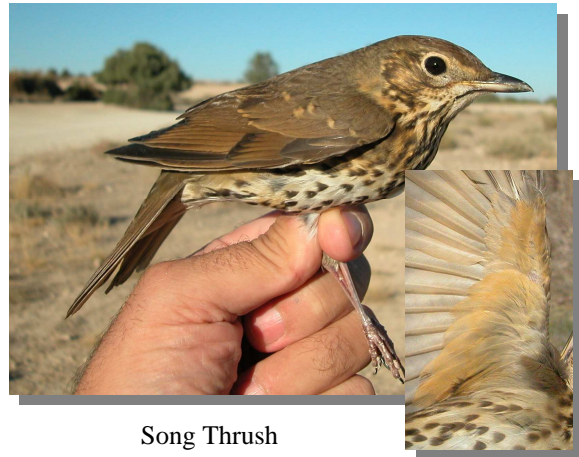


Mistle Thrush. Pattern of wing, breast, tail and underwing coverts.



SIMILAR SPECIES

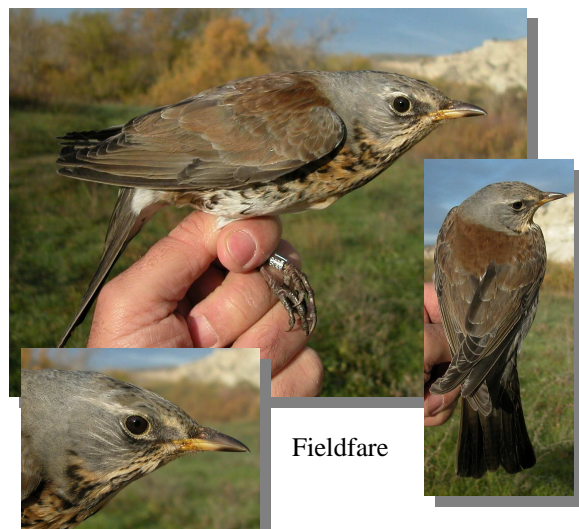
Redwing is smaller and has reddish underwing coverts. **Song Thrush** has rusty-buff underwing coverts. **Fieldfare** has a pale supercilium and grey upperparts.



Song Thrush



Redwing



Fieldfare

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SEXING

Plumage of both sexes alike.

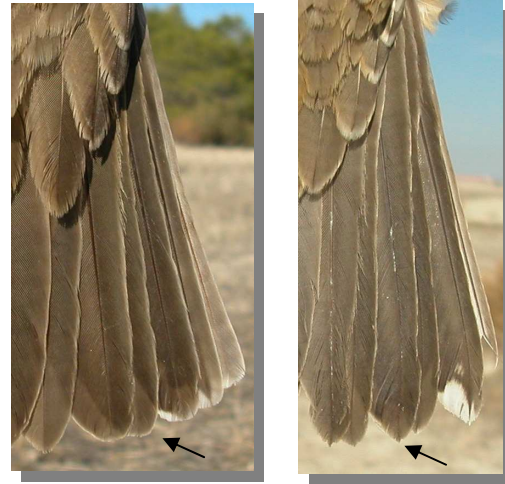
AGEING

3 types of age can be recognized:

Juvenile with upperparts and wing coverts strongly spotted; fresh plumage.

1st year autumn/2nd year spring with moult limit between moulted greater coverts (different colour and longer) and juvenile retained; tail feathers with pointed tips. **CAUTION:** shape of pale tip on greater coverts in **adults** is very variable.

Adult without moult limit on wing coverts; tail feathers with rounded tips



Mistle Thrush. Ageing. Pattern of tips of tail coverts: left adult; right 1st year.



Mistle Thrush. Ageing. Pattern of upperparts: left adult; right juvenile.



Mistle Thrush. Ageing. Moult limit on wing coverts: top adult; bottom 1st year.

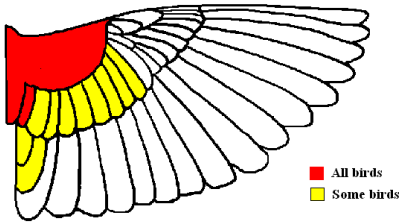


Mistle Thrush. Ageing. Pattern of wing coverts: top adult; bottom juvenile.

MOULT

Complete **postbreeding** moult, usually finished in October. Partial **postjuvenile** moult including body feathers, lesser and median coverts and a variable number of greater coverts; some birds can moult two inner tertials; usually finished in October.

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Mistle Thrush. Extent of postjuvenile moult.

■ All birds
■ Some birds

PHENOLOGY

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

STATUS IN ARAGON

Resident, with contribution of wintering European birds. Widely distributed throughout the Region in forested areas.



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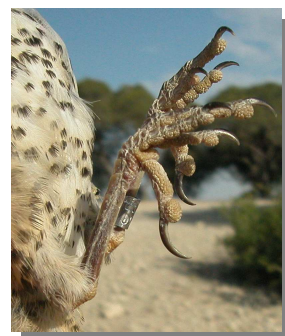
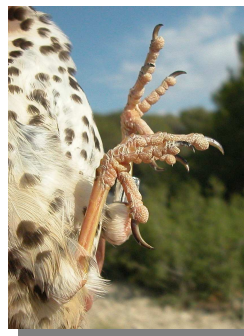
Mistle Thrush. Summer. 2nd year (02-VII).



Mistle Thrush. Summer. Breast pattern: top left adult (02-VII); top right 2nd year (02-VII); left juvenile (08-VI).



Mistle Thrush. Summer. Juvenile (08-VI).



Mistle Thrush. Summer. Legs colour: left adult (08-VI); right juvenile (08-VI).

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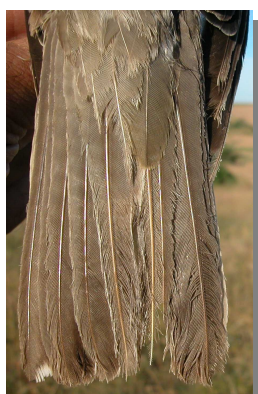
Mistle Thrush. Summer . Pattern of flank: top adult (08-VI); bottom juvenile (08-VI).



Mistle Thrush. Summer. Pattern of the outermost tail feather: left adult (08-VI); right juvenile (08-VI).



Mistle Thrush. Summer. Upperpart pattern: top left adult (02-VII); top right 2nd year (02-VII); left juvenile (08-VI).



Mistle Thrush. Summer. Tail wear: top left adult (02-VII); top right 2nd year (02-VII); left juvenile (08-VI).



Mistle Thrush. Summer. Adult: pattern of wing (02-VII).

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Mistle Thrush. Summer. 2nd year: pattern of wing (02-VII).



Mistle Thrush. Autumn. Head pattern: top adult (10-XI); bottom 1st year (02-XI).



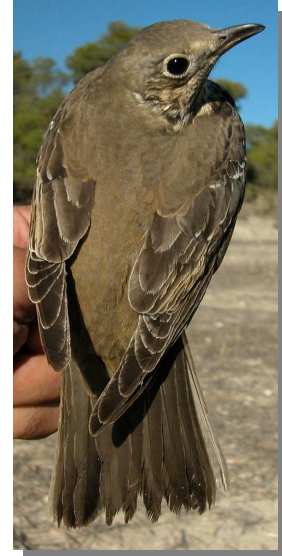
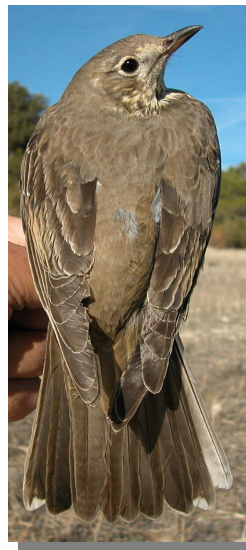
Mistle Thrush. Summer. Juvenile: pattern of wing (08-VI).



Mistle Thrush. Autumn. Breast pattern: left adult (10-XI); right 1st year (02-XI).



Mistle Thrush. Autumn. Adult (10-XI).



Mistle Thrush. Autumn. Upperparts pattern: left adult (10-XI); right 1st year (02-XI).



Mistle Thrush. Autumn. 1st year (02-XI).

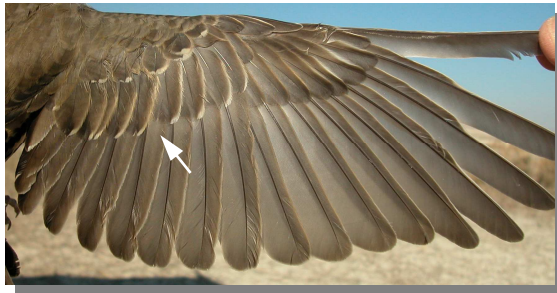
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Mistle Thrush. Autumn. Tail pattern: left adult (10-XI); right 1st year (02-XI).



Mistle Thrush. Autumn. Adult: pattern of wing (10-XI).



Mistle Thrush. Autumn. 1st year: pattern of wing (02-XI).