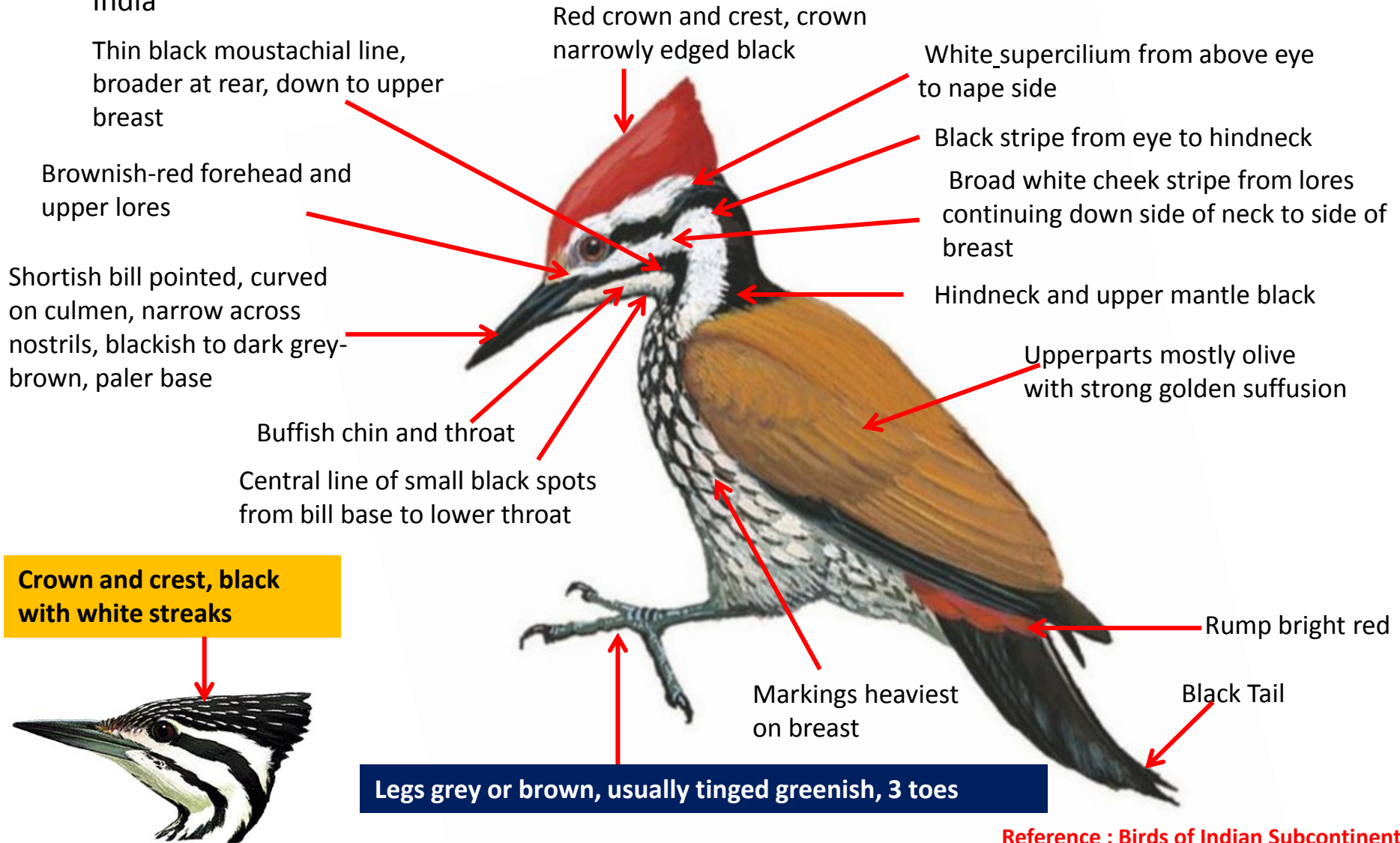




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Common Goldenback Woodpecker Identification Tips

Common Goldenback Woodpecker : *Dinopium javanense malabaricum* - Resident of South West India



Greater Goldenback Woodpecker Identification Tips

Greater Goldenback Woodpecker : *Chrysocolaptes guttacristatus* - Resident of South West India

Red Forehead

Red crown and crest, crown narrowly edged black

White supercilium from above eye to nape side

Long, blackish, slightly chisel-tipped bill straight, broad across nostrils,

Broad Black stripe from eye to hindneck (Broadest of all golden backs)

Iris pale creamy, orbital ring purplish

Single Black line down centre of throat

Clearly Divided Moustachial stripe with white Oval centre

Hindneck is spotted Black & White

Dark pattern on breast

Upperparts mostly golden-olive or golden-green

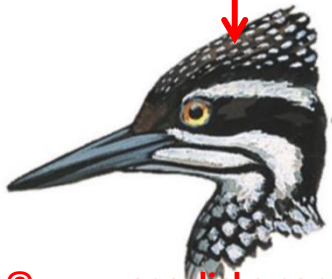
Crown and crest, black with white Spots

Legs are greyish to green-brown, 4 toes

crimson-red Rump

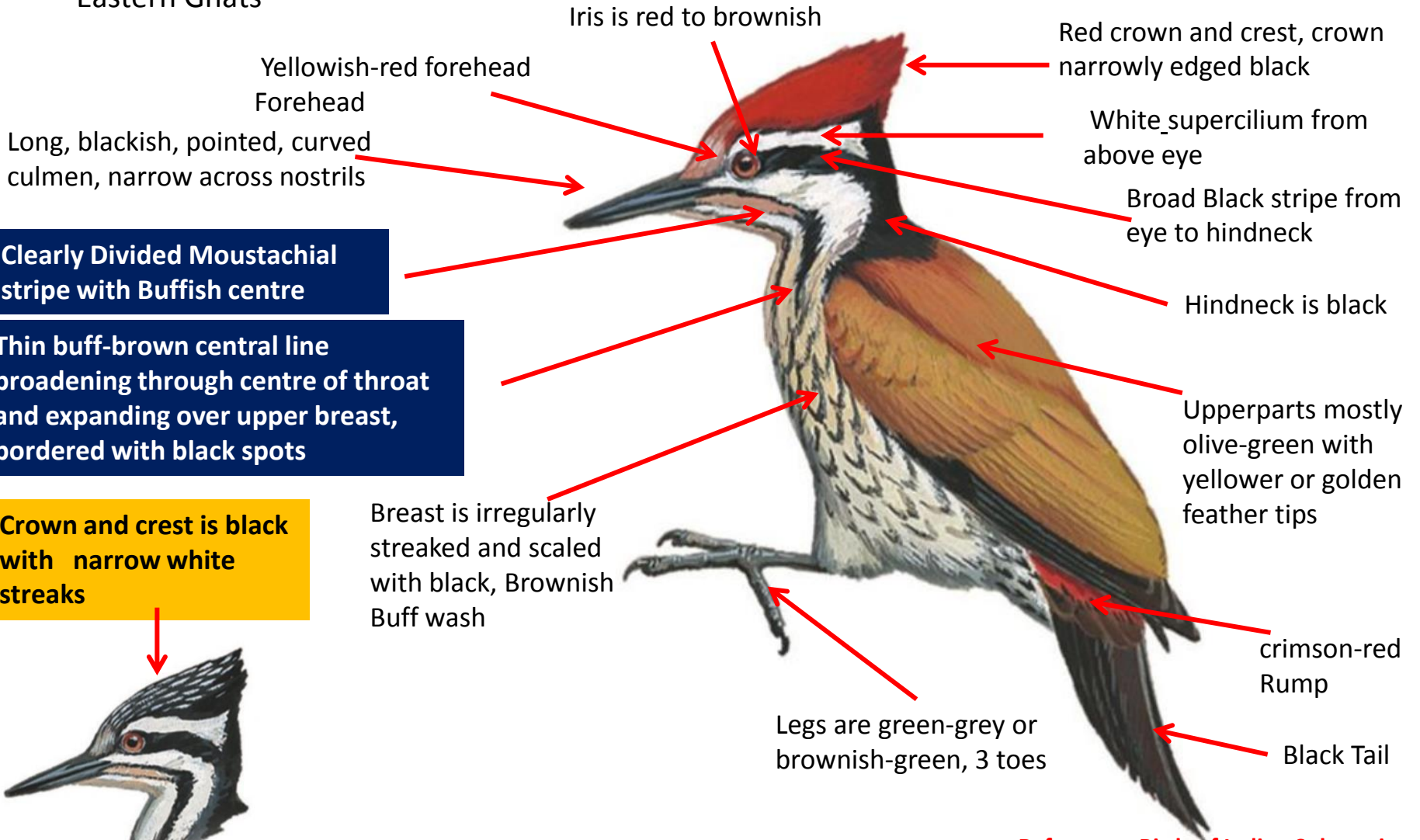
Underparts White, Faint Markings

Black Tail



Himalayan Goldenback Woodpecker Identification Tips

Himalayan Goldenback Woodpecker : *Dinopium shorii* - Resident of North India (Haryana) Eastwards through lowlands and Southern foothills of Himalayas to Nagaland and peninsular hills of Eastern Ghats



Lesser Goldenback Woodpecker Identification Tips

Lesser Goldenback Woodpecker : *Dinopium benghalense* - Resident of North & North Central India East to Assam

Iris is red-brown to crimson, orbital skin green to grey

Black forehead

Red crown and crest, crown narrowly edged black

Long, blackish, pointed bill, culmen curved, fairly narrow across nostrils

White supercilium from above eye

White-streaked black band from eye through ear-coverts

Chin and throat black, broadly streaked white

Hindneck is black

Feathers broadly edged and tipped black on breast

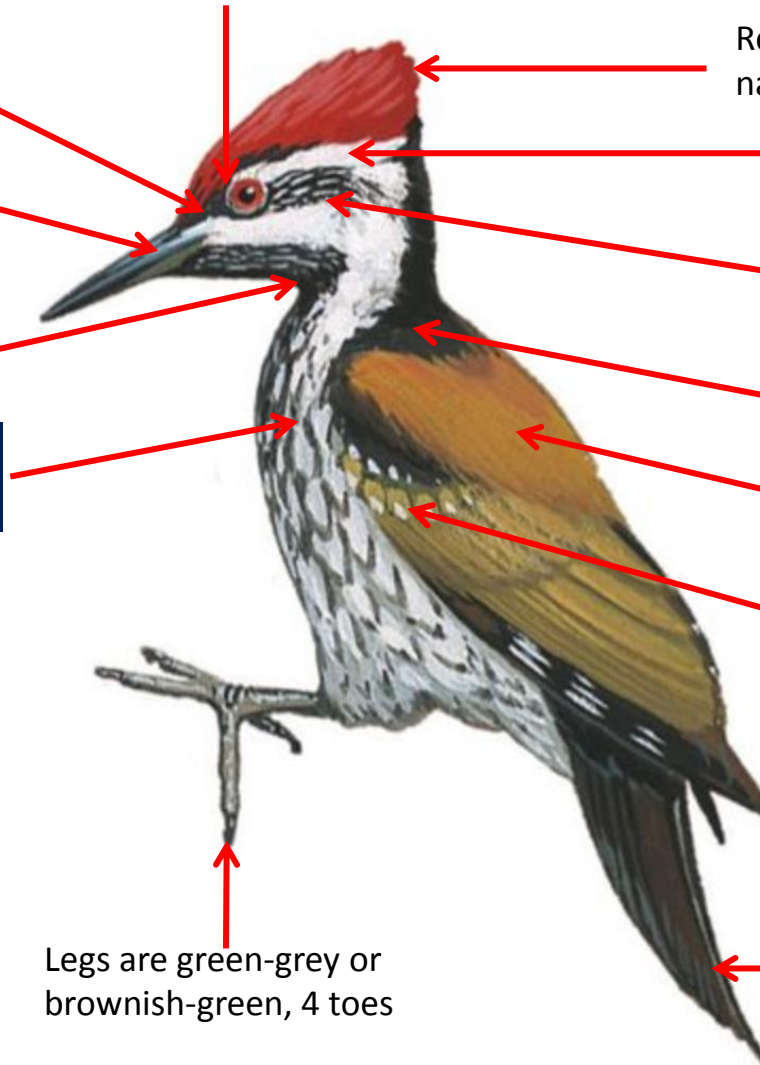
Upperparts golden-yellow

White subterminal spots

Forehead is black, Red crest with small white spots

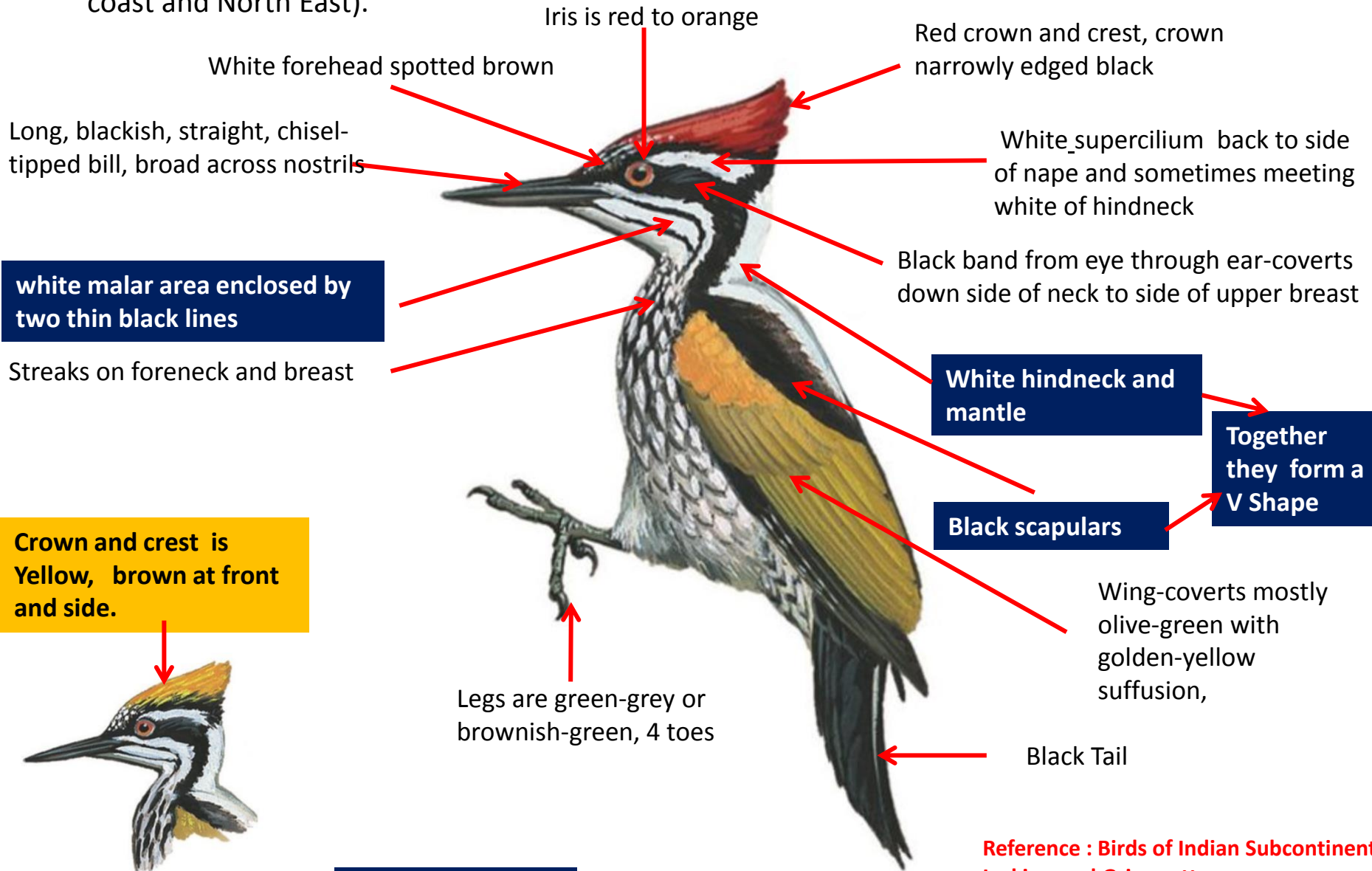
Legs are green-grey or brownish-green, 4 toes

Black Tail

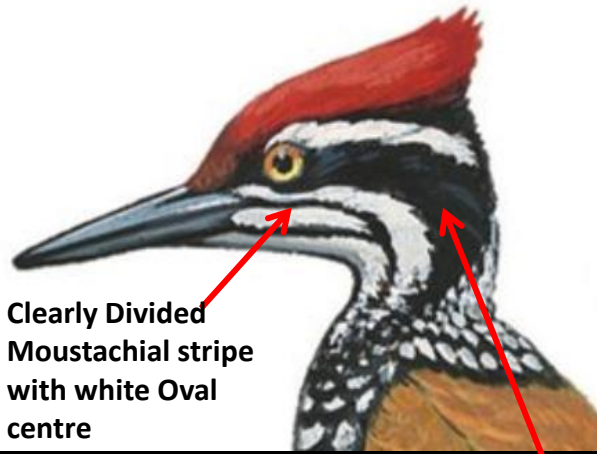


White-naped Woodpecker Identification Tips

White-naped Woodpecker : *Chrysocolaptes festivus* - Widespread resident in India (except East coast and North East).

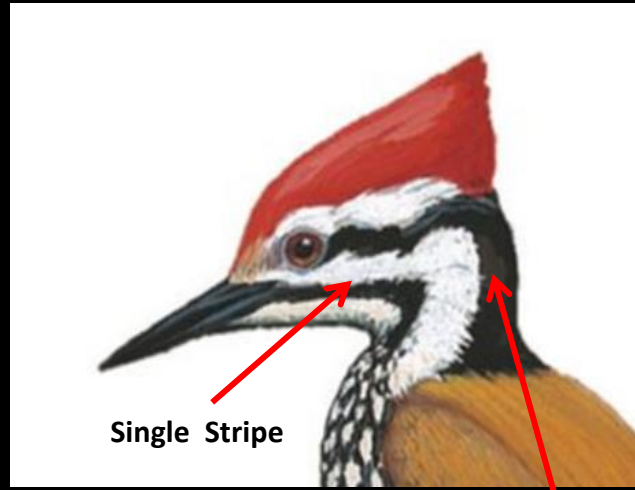


Goldenback Woodpecker- Males: Head comparison



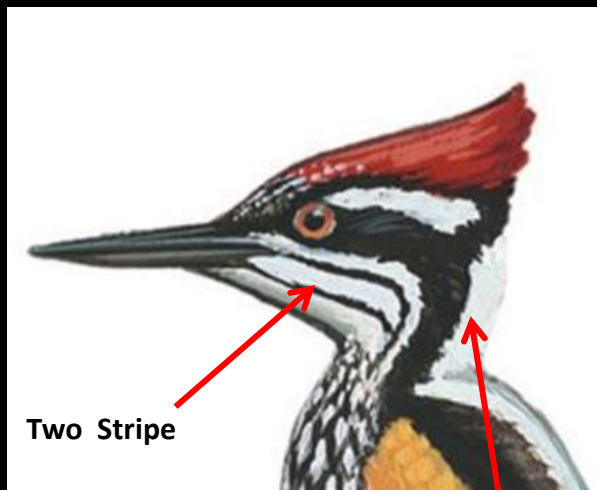
Clearly Divided
Moustachial stripe
with white Oval
centre

Greater Goldenback



Single Stripe

Common Goldenback



Two Stripe

White-naped

Broadest Eye stripe

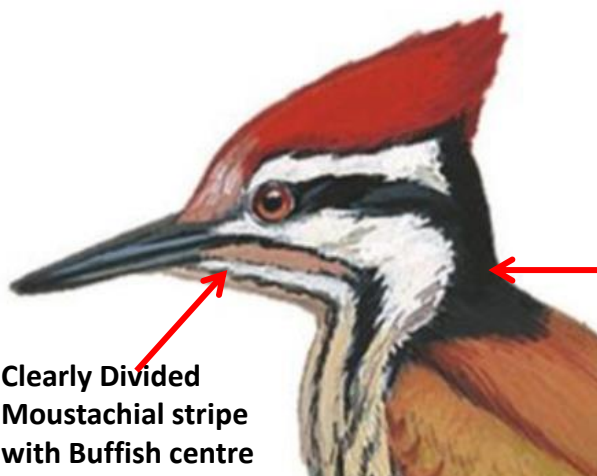
Black Neck

White Neck

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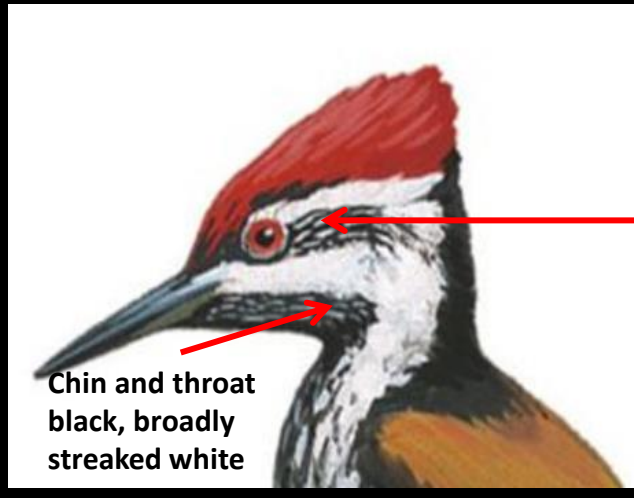
Himalayan Goldenback

Lesser Goldenback



Clearly Divided
Moustachial stripe
with Buffish centre

Black Neck

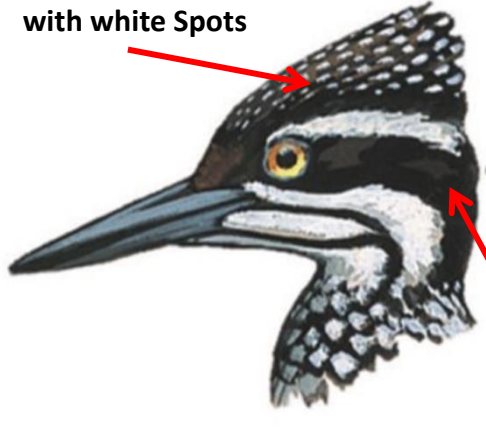


White-streaked
black band from
eye through ear-
coverts

Chin and throat
black, broadly
streaked white

Goldenback Woodpecker- Females: Head comparison

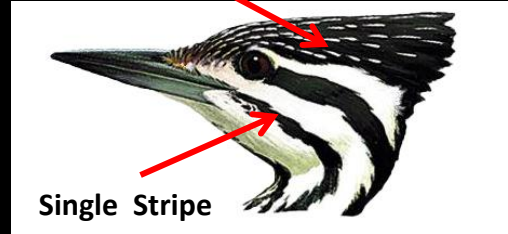
Crown and crest, black with white Spots



Greater Goldenback

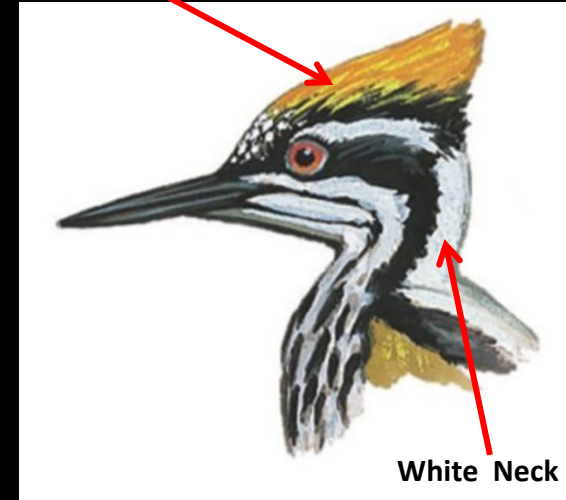
Broadest Eye stripe

Crown and crest, black with white streaks



Common Goldenback

Crown and crest is Yellow, brown at front and side.

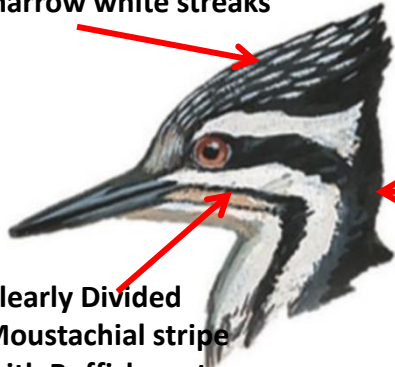


White-naped

White Neck

Himalayan Goldenback

Crown and crest is black with narrow white streaks



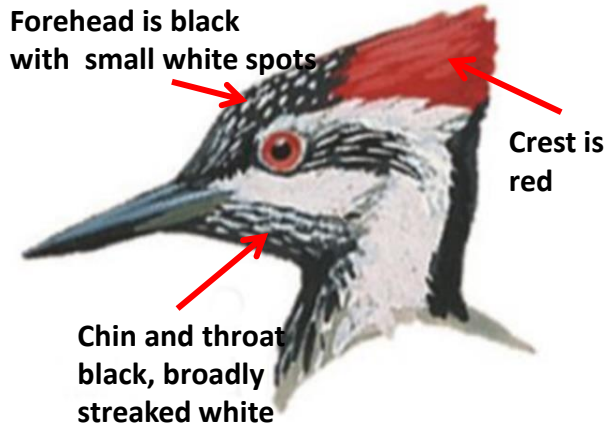
Clearly Divided Moustachial stripe with Buffish centre

Black Neck
Black Neck

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Lesser Goldenback

Forehead is black with small white spots



Crest is red

Chin and throat black, broadly streaked white