

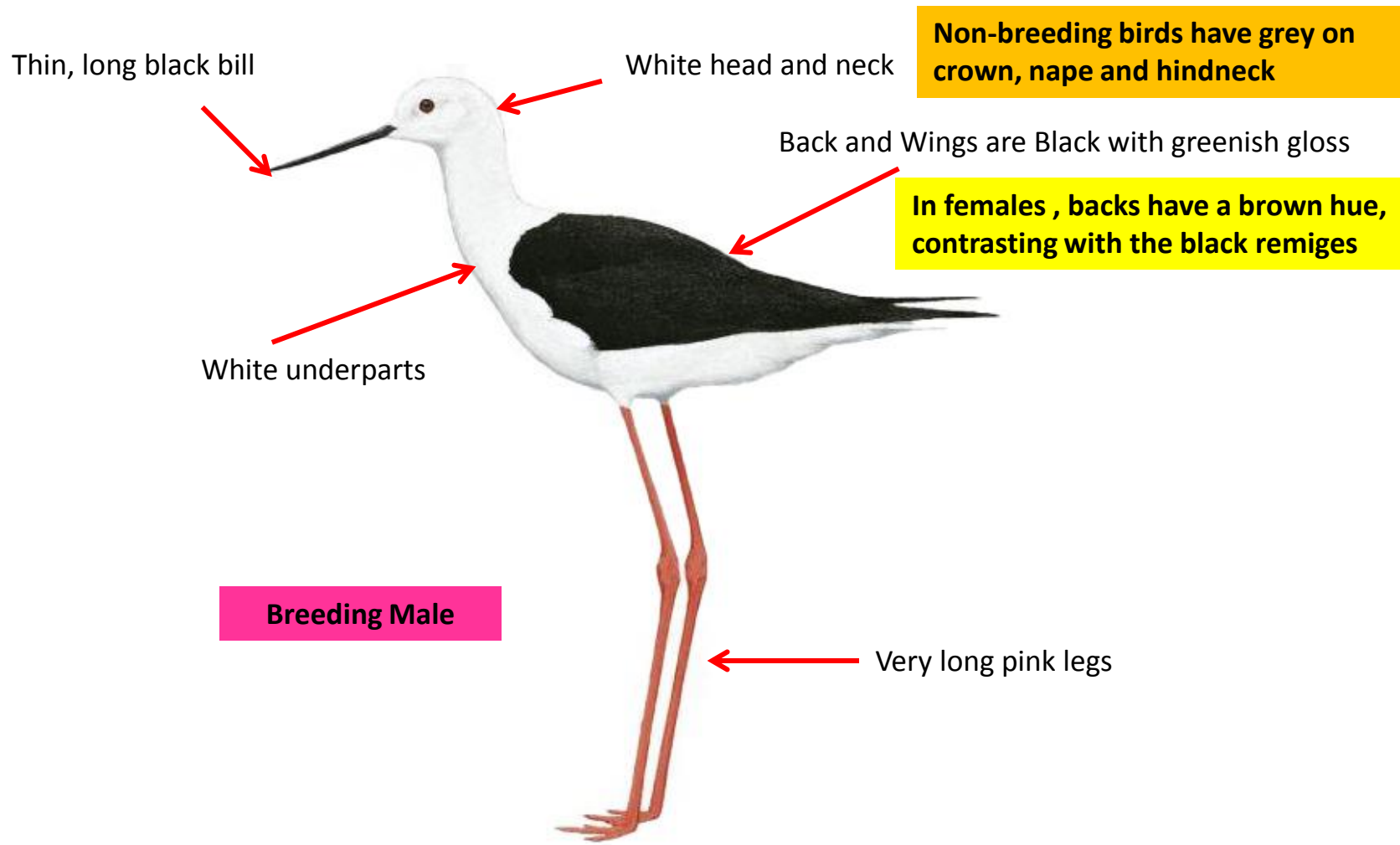


- The following pages have some identification markers for each of the Pied waders, Phalarope and Ruff found in India
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# Pied Waders

# Black-winged Stilt Identification Tips

**Black-winged Stilt** : *Himantopus himantopus*: Widespread Winter visitor in India



**Non-breeding birds have grey on crown, nape and hindneck**

**In females , backs have a brown hue, contrasting with the black remiges**

**Breeding Male**

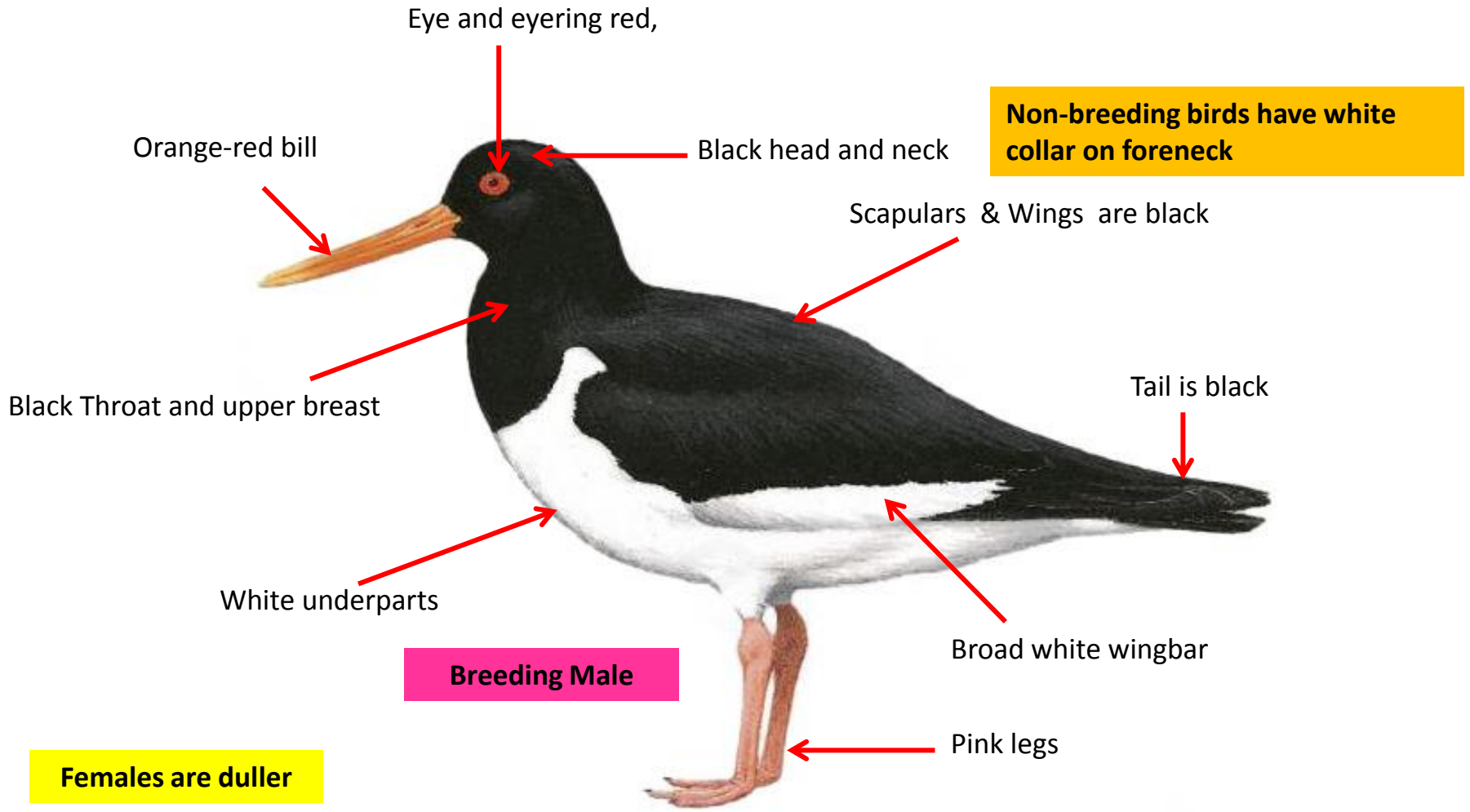
**Difference from Male**

**Difference from Breeding plumage**

**Important id point**

# Eurasian Oystercatcher Identification Tips

Eurasian Oystercatcher : *Haematopus ostralegus*: Winter visitor to coasts of India



**Difference from Male**

**Difference from Breeding plumage**

**Important id point**

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# Ibisbill Identification Tips

**Ibisbill : *Ibidorhyncha struthersii***: Winters In Himalayas , North to North East India along stony riverbeds

Black face

White border to crown

Long, decurved brown to crimson bill

Blue-grey head and neck

Grey-brown Upperparts

Blue-grey Throat and breast

Black breastband

White underparts

Greyish-purple legs

Breeding Male



Non-breeding birds have white-streaked black face

Difference from Male

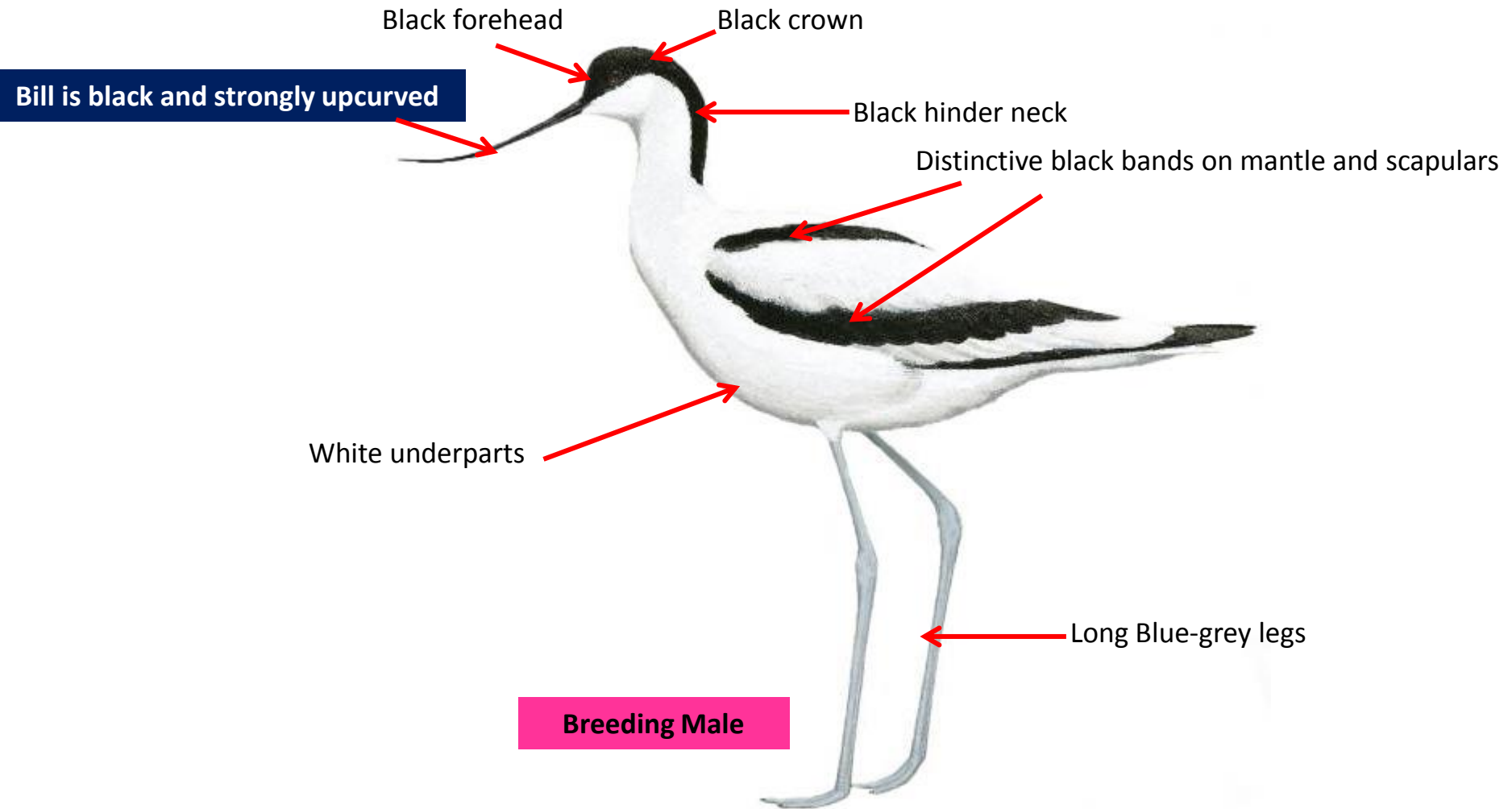
Difference from Breeding plumage

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## Pied Avocet Identification Tips

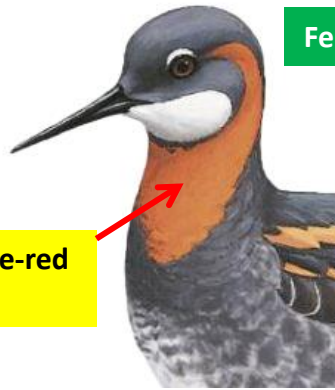
**Pied Avocet : *Recurvirostra avosetta*** : Winters visitor to North West and Tamilnadu coast in India ( Sporadic Winter visitor to other parts)



**Phalarope**

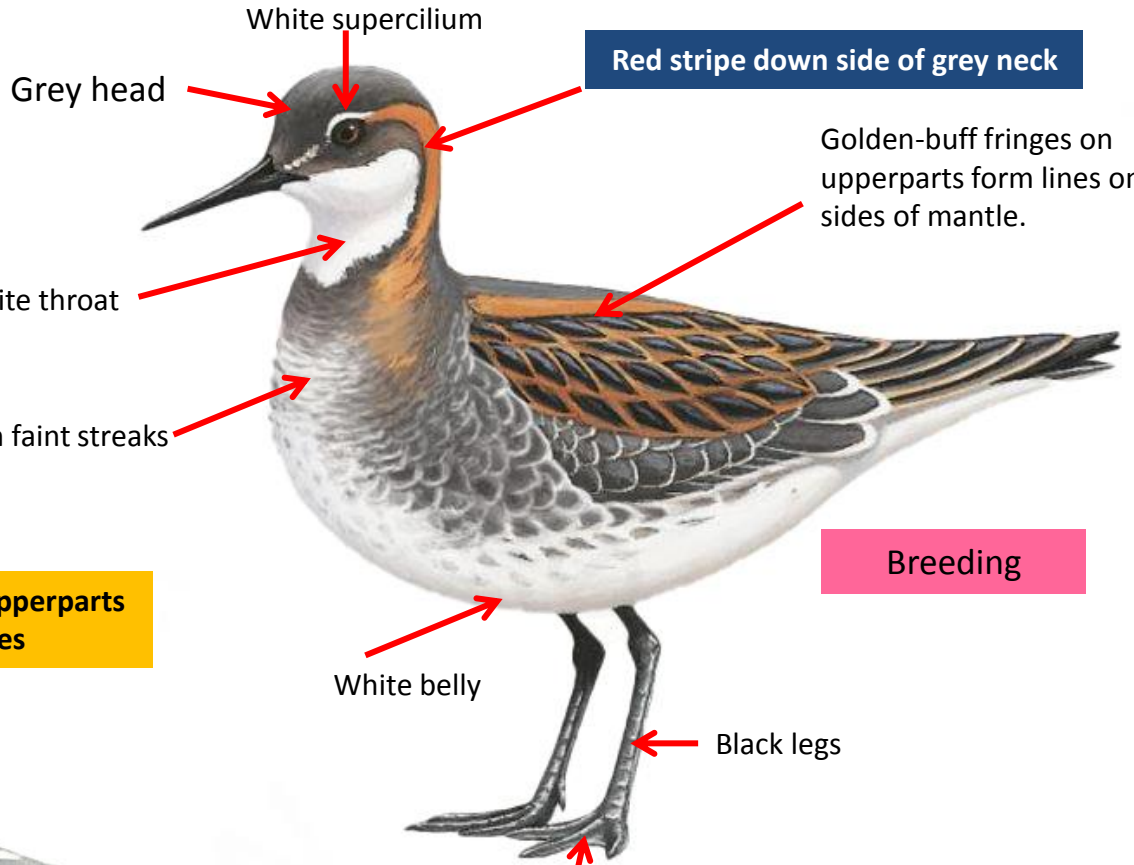
# Red-necked Phalarope Identification Tips

**Red-necked Phalarope : *Phalaropus lobatus* : Winter Visitor to Coasts of North West and South East India**



Female

Bright orange-red Collar



White supercilium

Grey head

Red stripe down side of grey neck

Golden-buff fringes on upperparts form lines on sides of mantle.

White throat

Breast with faint streaks

Breeding

White belly

Black legs

Webbed toes

Black eyepatch

Dull blue-grey upperparts with white fringes

Non-breeding

White underparts with faint streaks on flanks

Difference from Male

Difference from Breeding plumage

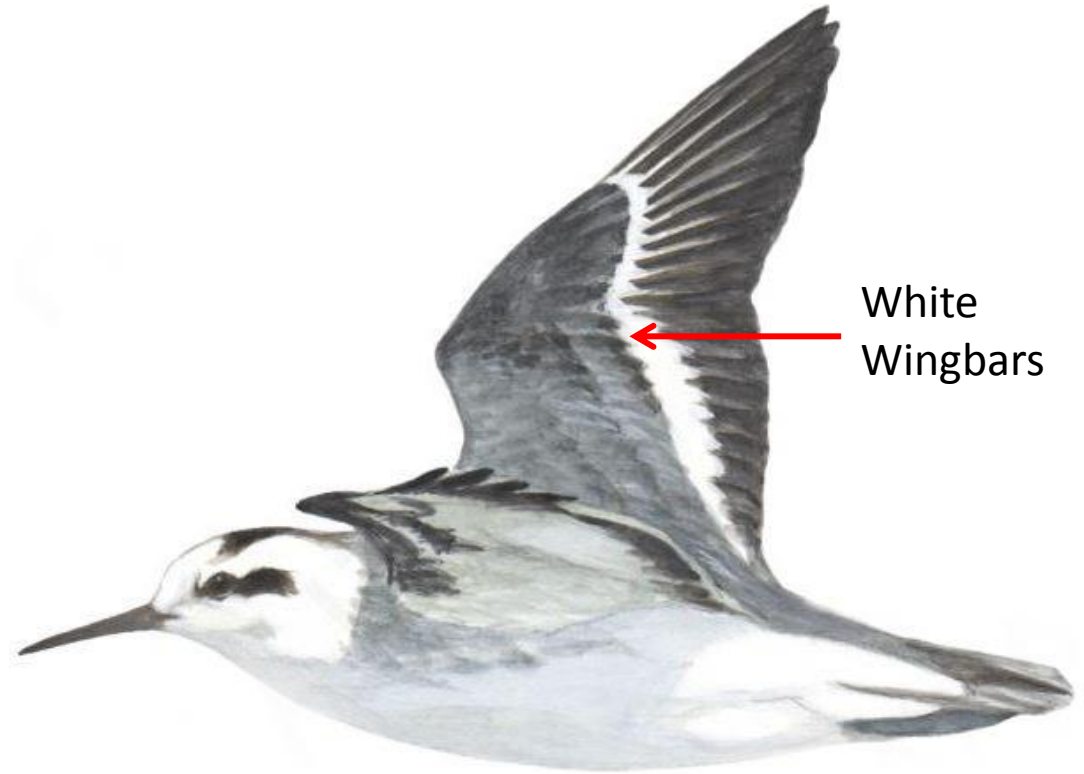
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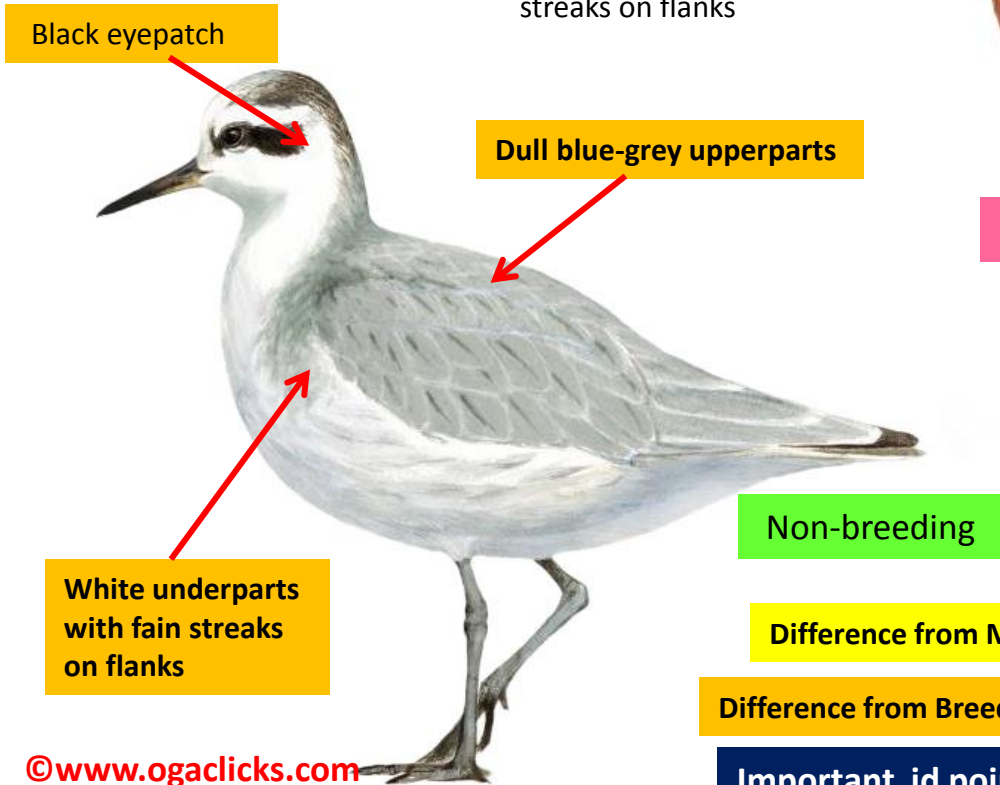
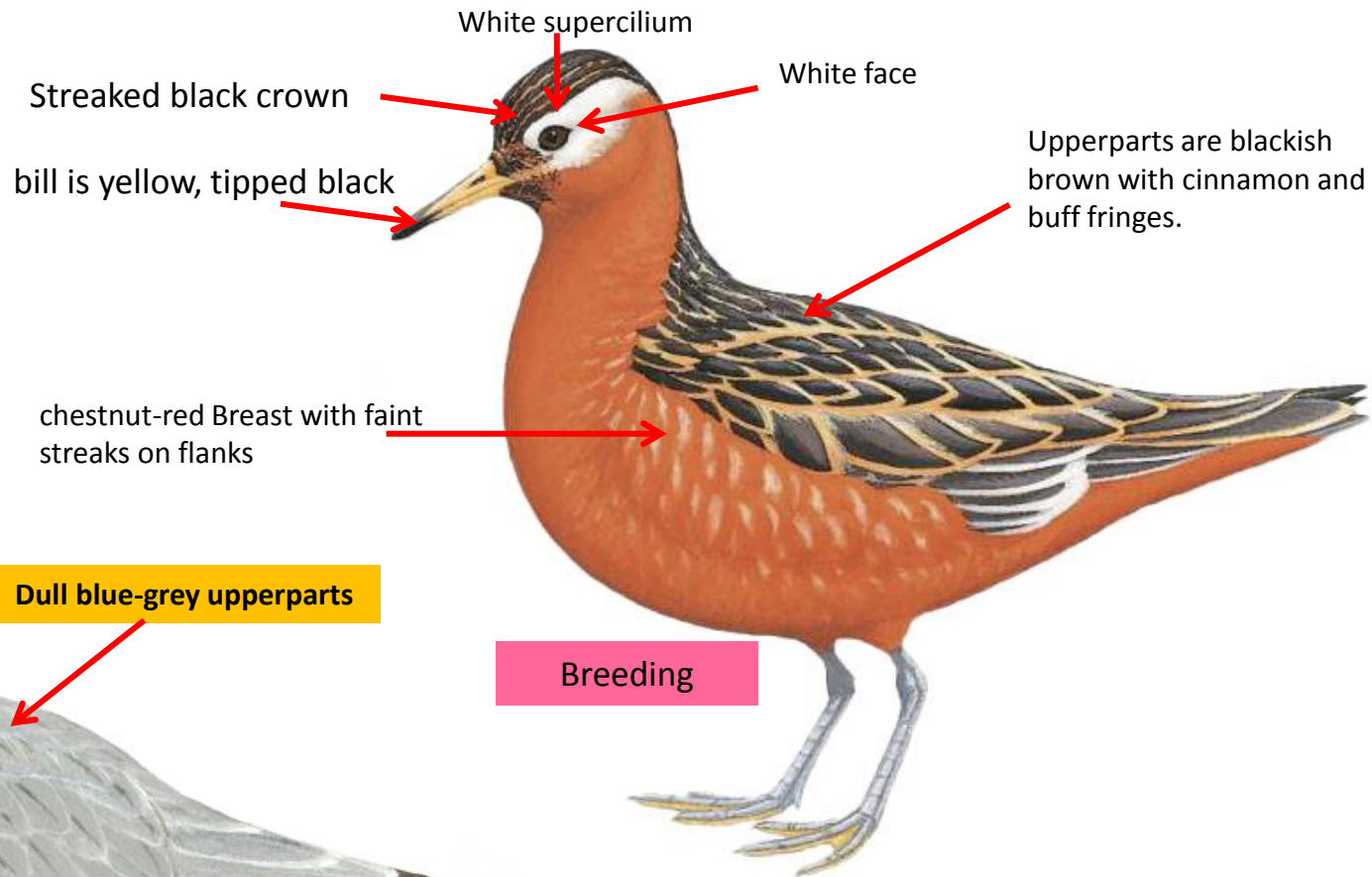
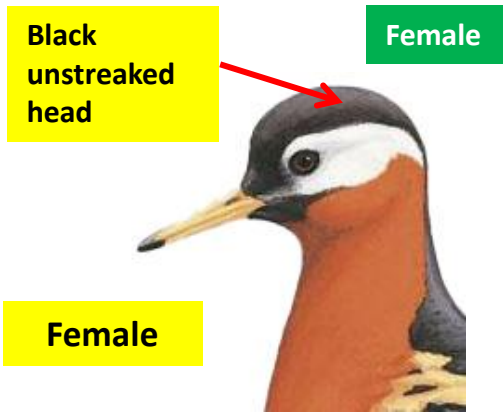
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Red-necked Phalarope : *Phalaropus lobatus* : Winter Visitor to Coasts of North West and South East India



# Red Phalarope Identification Tips

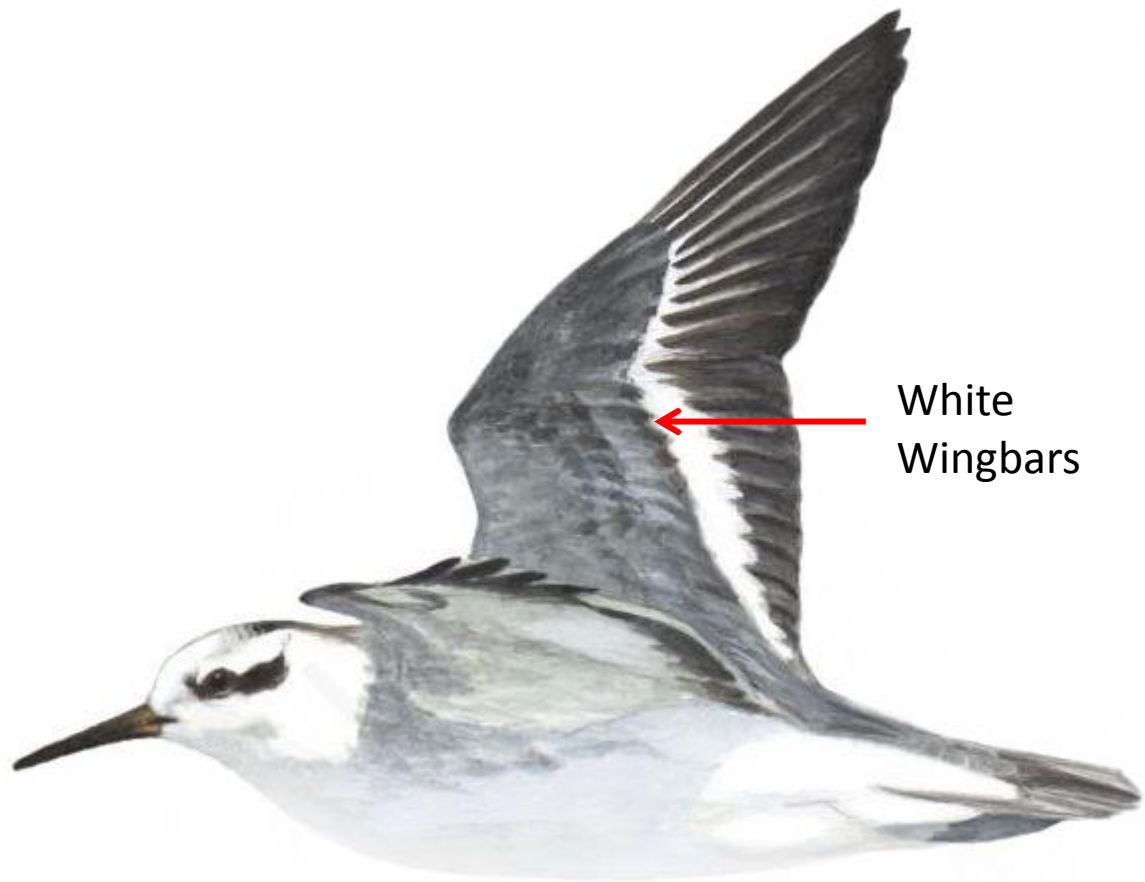
Red Phalarope : *Phalaropus fulicarius* : Vagrant in India



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## Red Phalarope Identification Tips

Red Phalarope : *Phalaropus fulicarius* : Vagrant in India



# Red Phalarope Vs Red- Necked Phalarope- Non Breeding

## Red Phalarope



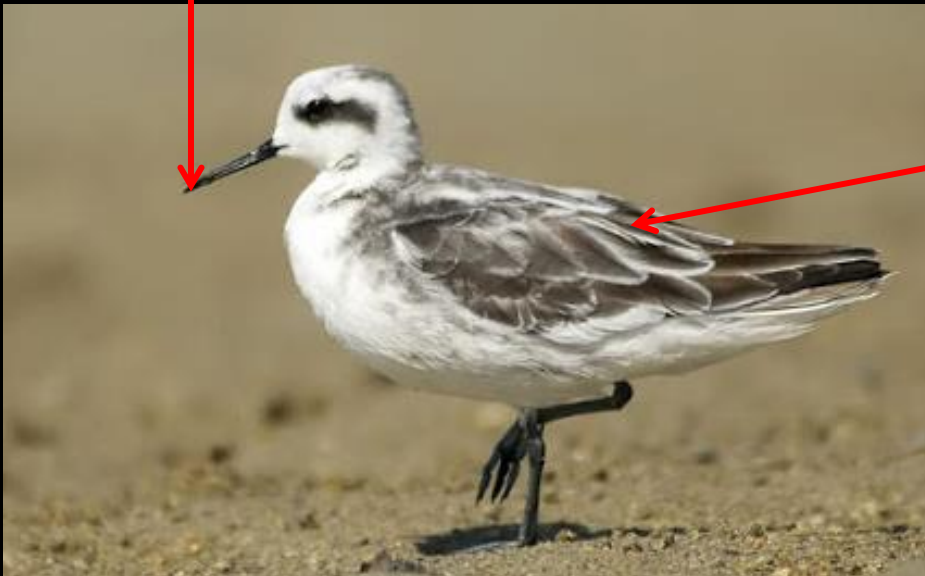
Upperparts are Paler

Stouter Bill

Thin longer Bill

Upperparts are darker

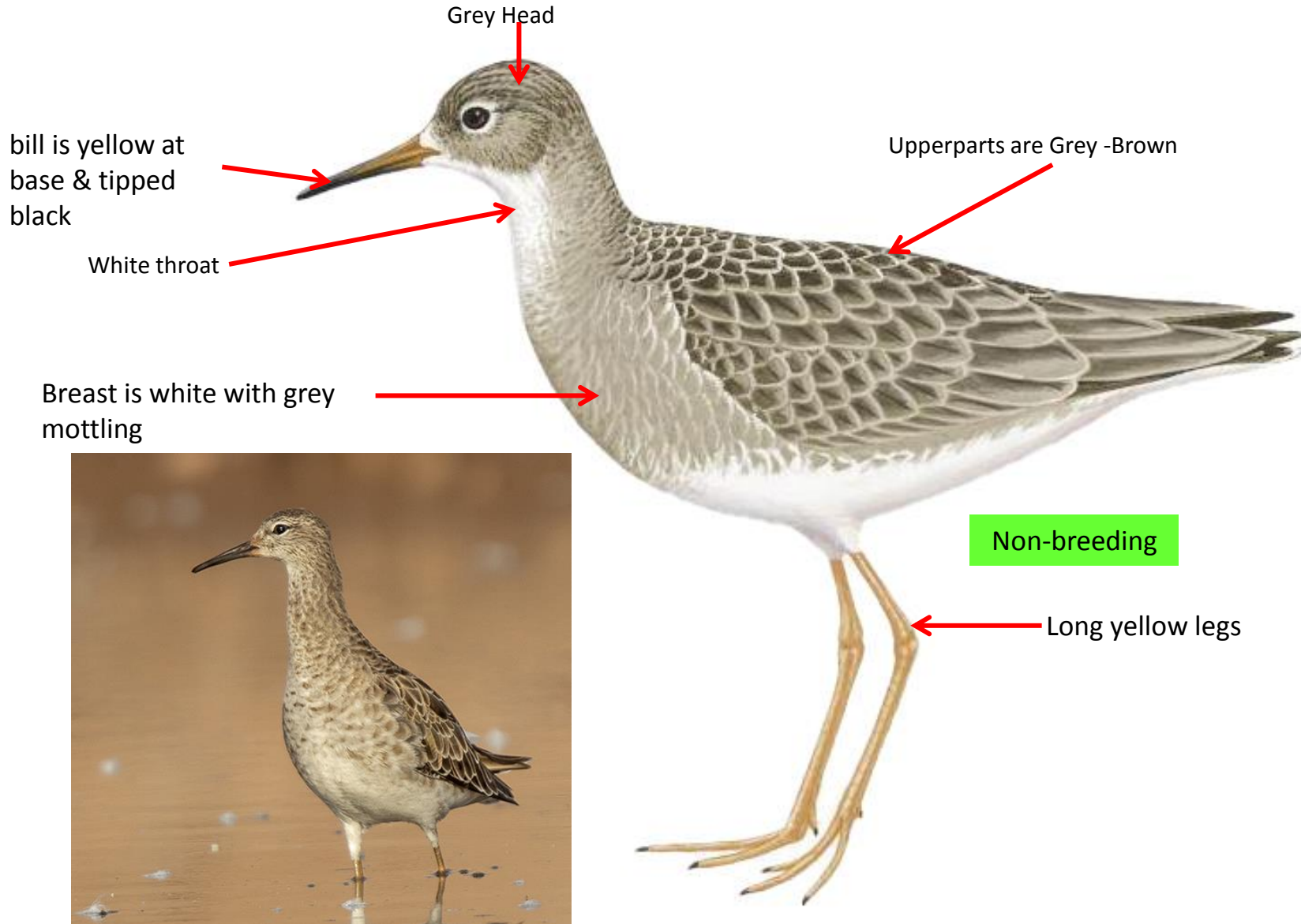
## Red-necked Phalarope



**Ruff**

## Ruff Identification Tips

**Ruff** : *Philomachus pugnax* : Widespread Winter visitor in India ( sporadic in Central, East and North east)

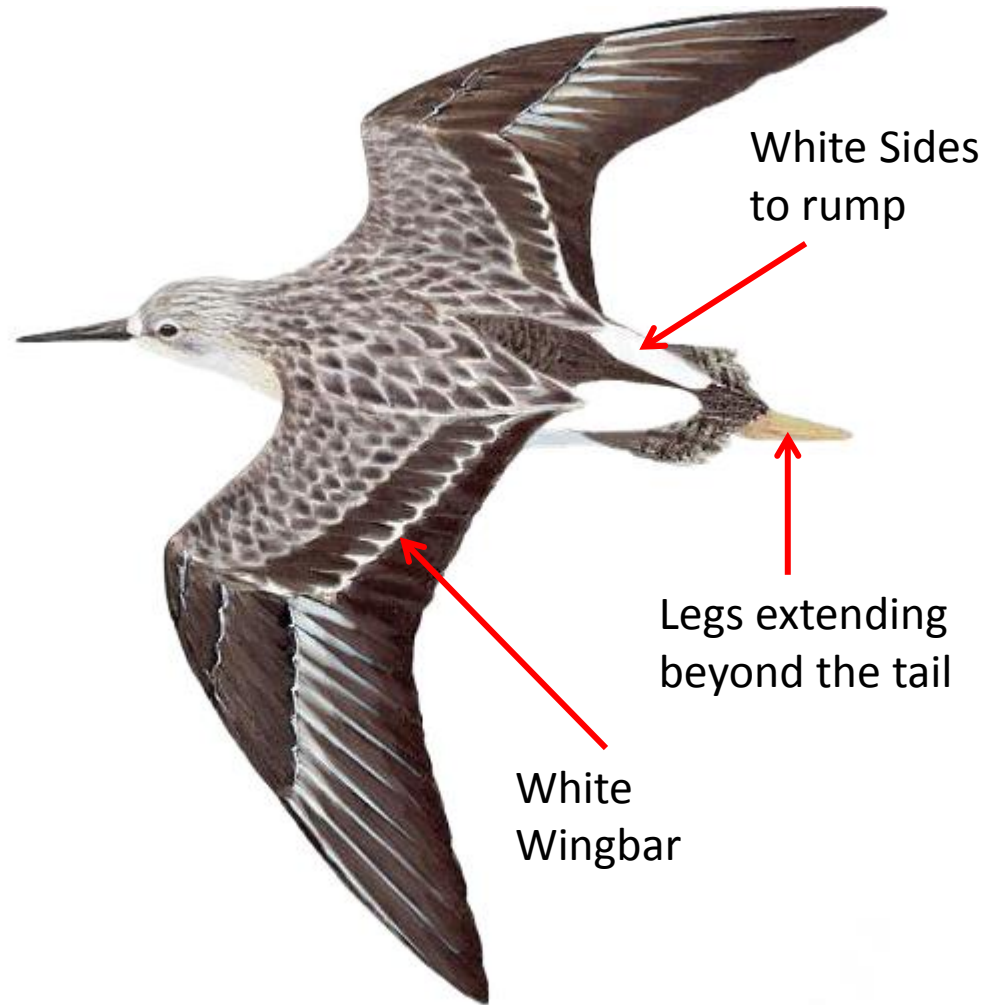


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Ruff : *Philomachus pugnax* : Widespread Winter visitor in India ( sporadic in Central, East and North east)



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