

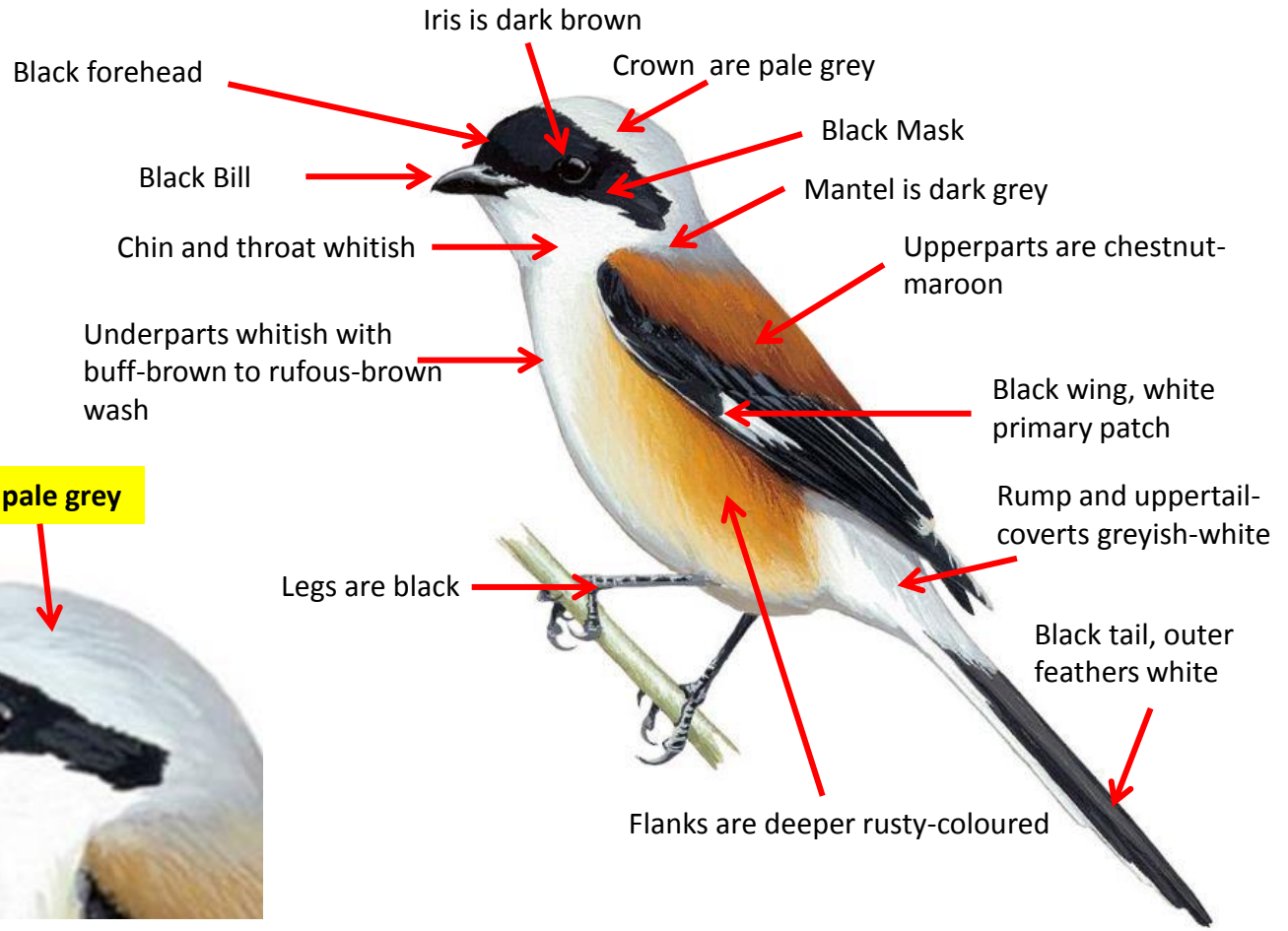
- The following pages have some identification markers for each of the Sunbirds found in India
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List of Shrikes found in India

Sno.	Name	Binomial Name
1	Bay-backed Shrike	<i>Lanius vittatus</i>
2	Brown Shrike	<i>Lanius cristatus</i>
3	Burmese Shrike	<i>Lanius collurioides</i>
4	Great Grey Shrike	<i>Lanius excubitor</i>
5	Grey-backed Shrike	<i>Lanius tephronotus</i>
6	Isabelline Shrike	<i>Lanius isabellinus</i>
7	Lesser Grey Shrike	<i>Lanius minor</i>
8	Long-tailed Shrike	<i>Lanius schach</i>
9	Red-backed Shrike	<i>Lanius collurio</i>
10	Red-tailed Shrike	<i>Lanius phoenicuroides</i>
11	Southern Grey Shrike (Iberian Grey Shrike)	<i>Lanius meridionalis</i>
12	Steppe Grey Shrike	<i>Lanius meridionalis pallidirostris</i>

Bay-backed Shrike Identification Tips

Bay-backed Shrike : *Lanius vittatus* : Widespread resident in India (Except North East)



Female

Male

Difference from male

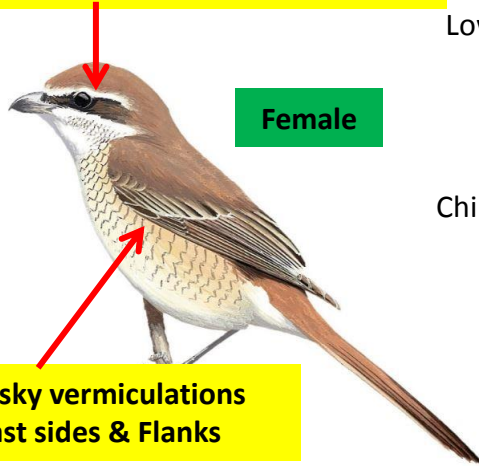
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Brown Shrike Identification Tips

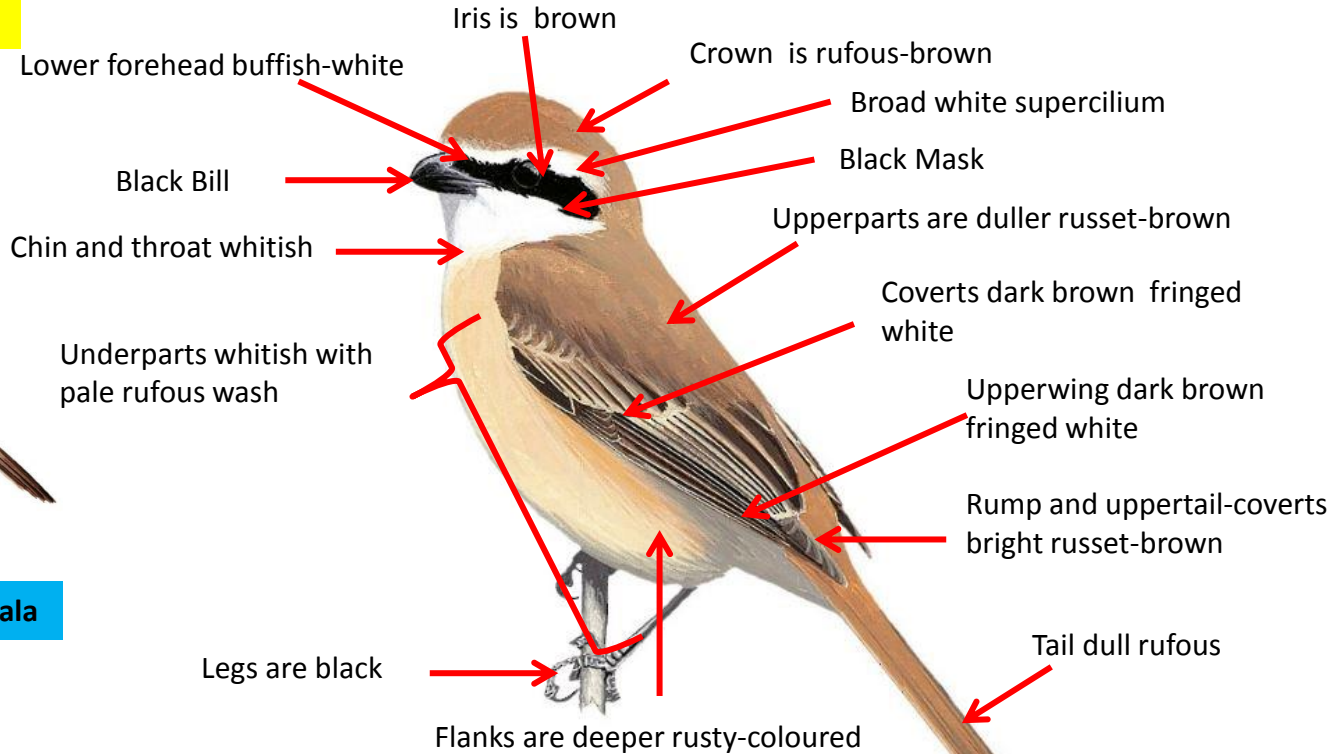
Brown Shrike: *Lanius cristatus* : Widespread Winter visitor in India (Except North & North West)

Narrower supercilium creamy-tinged



Female

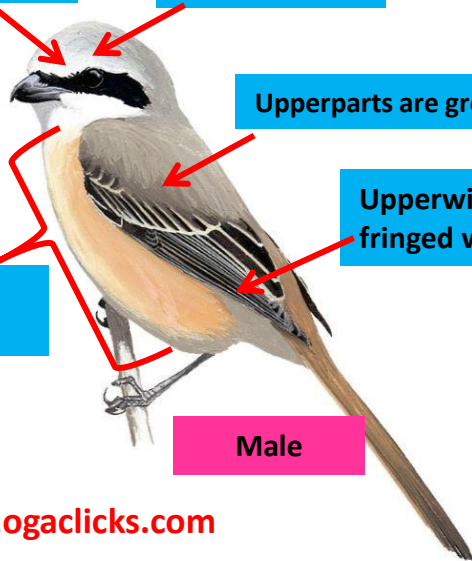
Fine dusky vermiculations on Breast sides & Flanks



L. c. lucionensis- passage migrant in Kerala

White forehead

Crown is Grey



Upperparts are grey tinged brown

Upperwing grey fringed white

Underparts are buff

Male

Legs are black

Forehead is Grey

Male

Female

Paler underparts with slight vermiculations

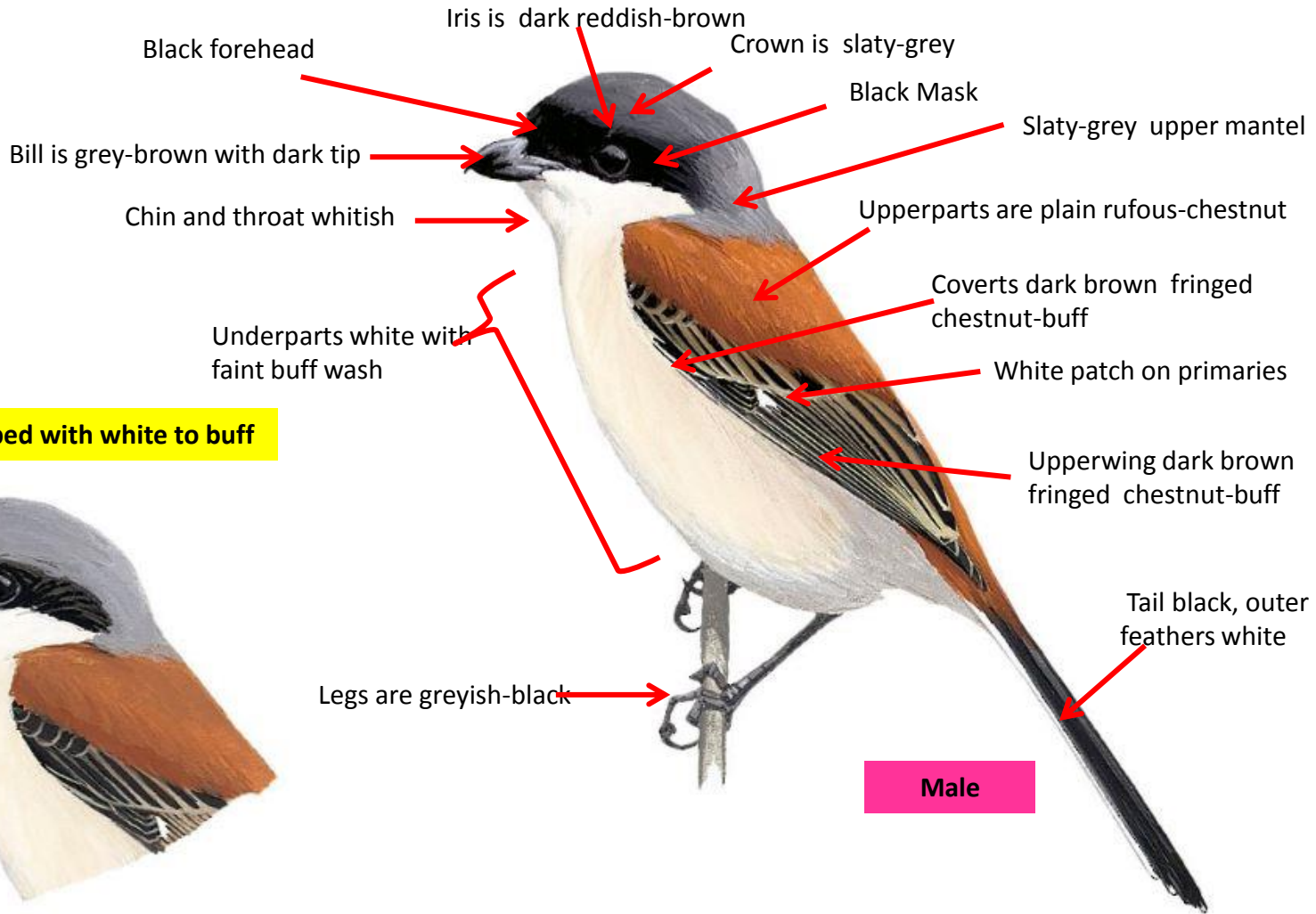
Difference from male

Difference from Nominat

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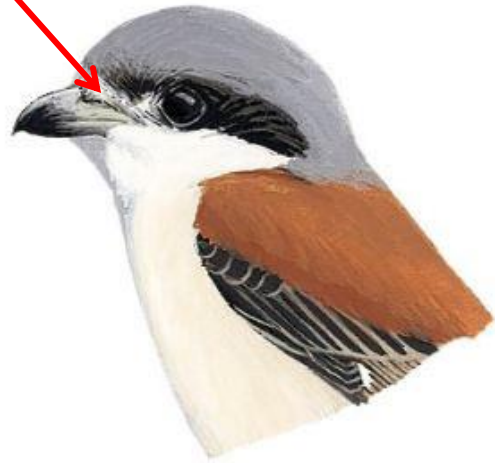
Burmese Shrike Identification Tips

Burmese Shrike : *Lanius collurio*ides : Passage migrant in North East India (Assam & Nagaland Border)



Male

lores and nasal feathers striped with white to buff



Female

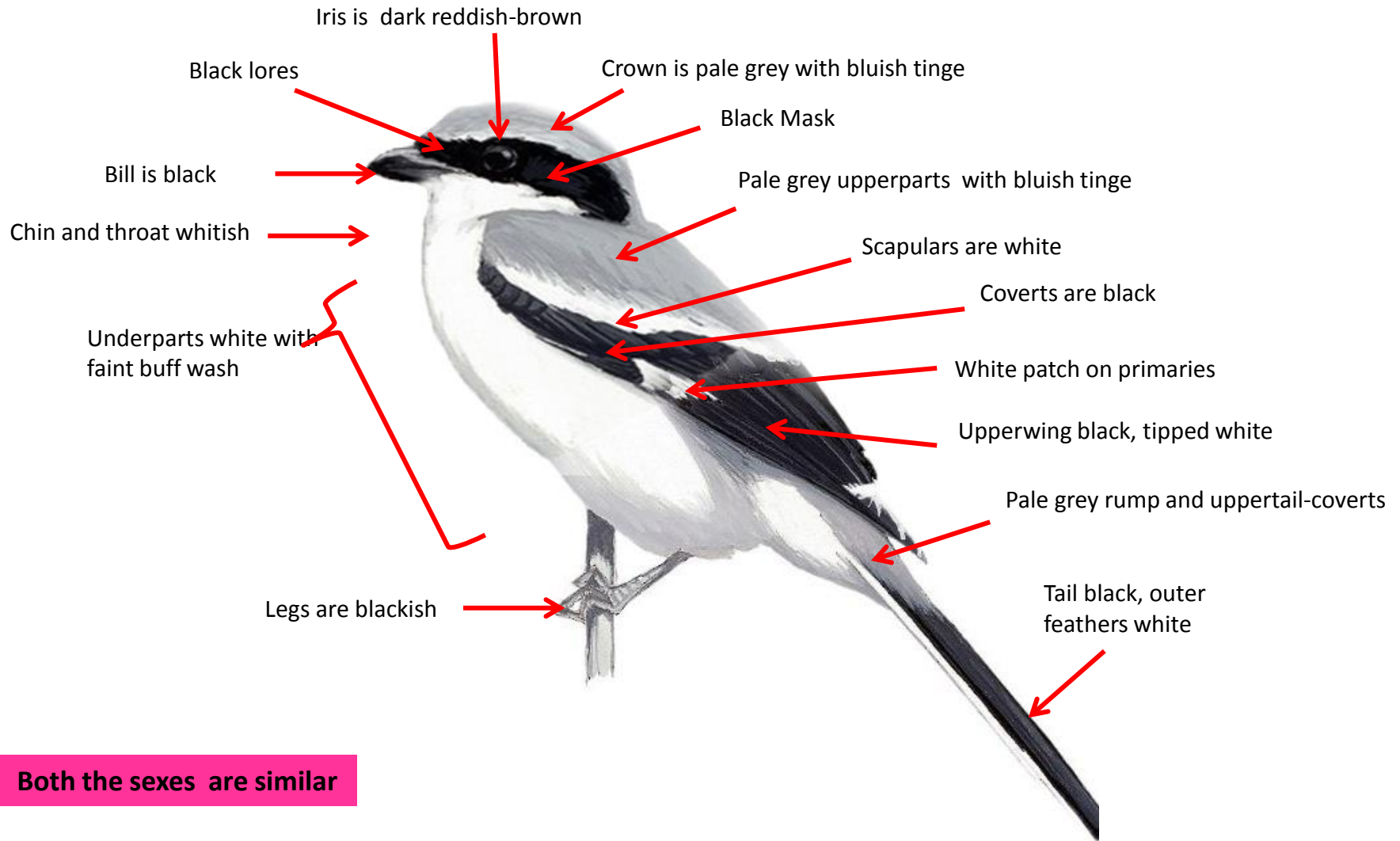
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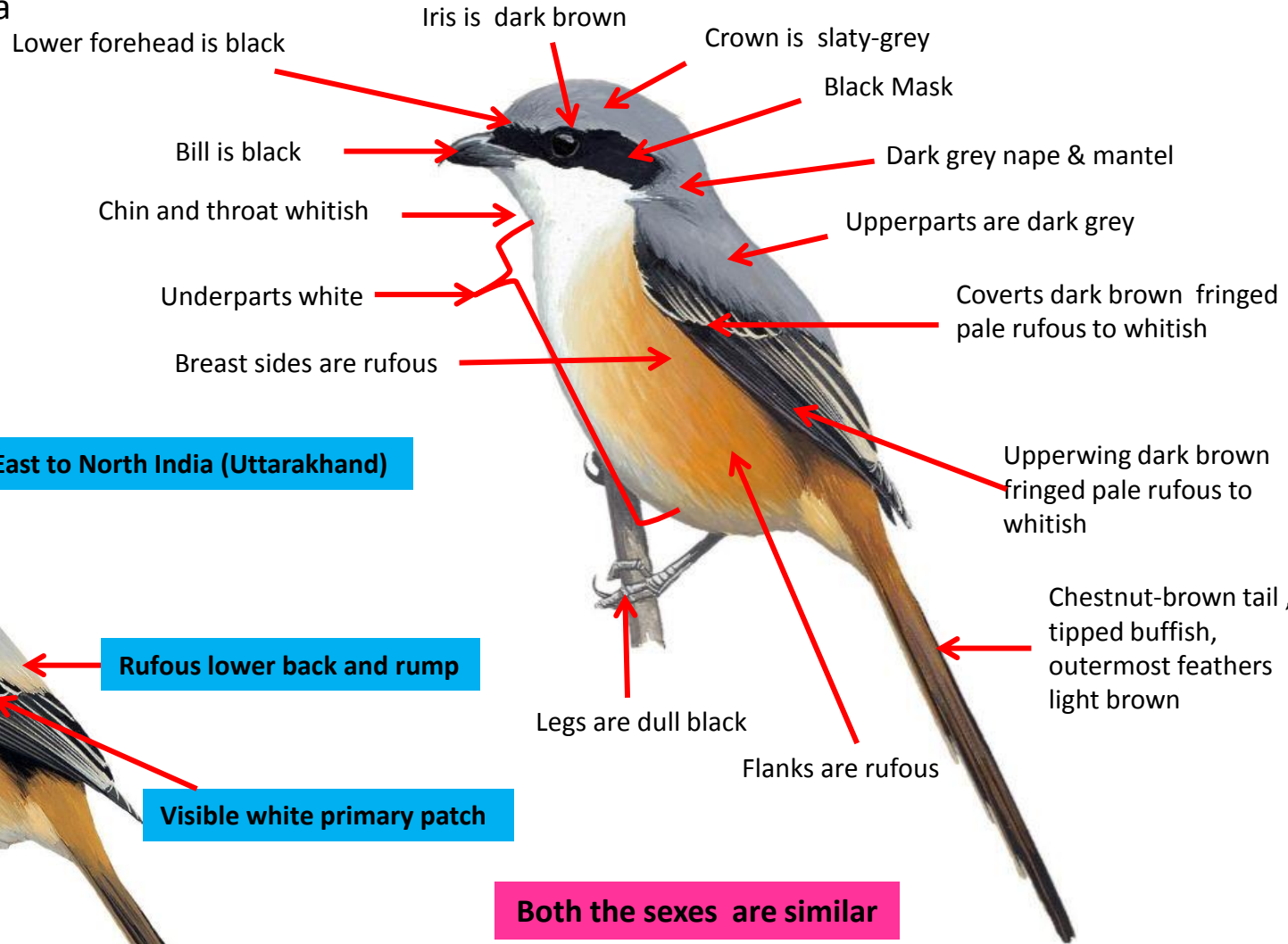
Great Grey Shrike Identification Tips

Great Grey Shrike : *Lanius excubitor*: Vagrant in India

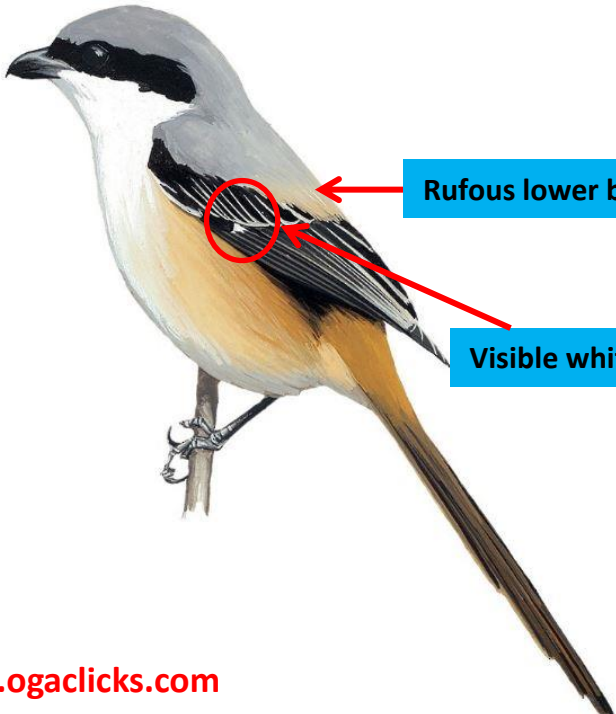


Grey-backed Shrike Identification Tips

Grey-backed Shrike : *Lanius tephronotus* : Breeds in Himalayas ; Winters visitor to Himalayas , Plains of North & North East India



***L. t. lahulensis* -North Kashmir East to North India (Uttarakhand)**



Both the sexes are similar

Difference from male

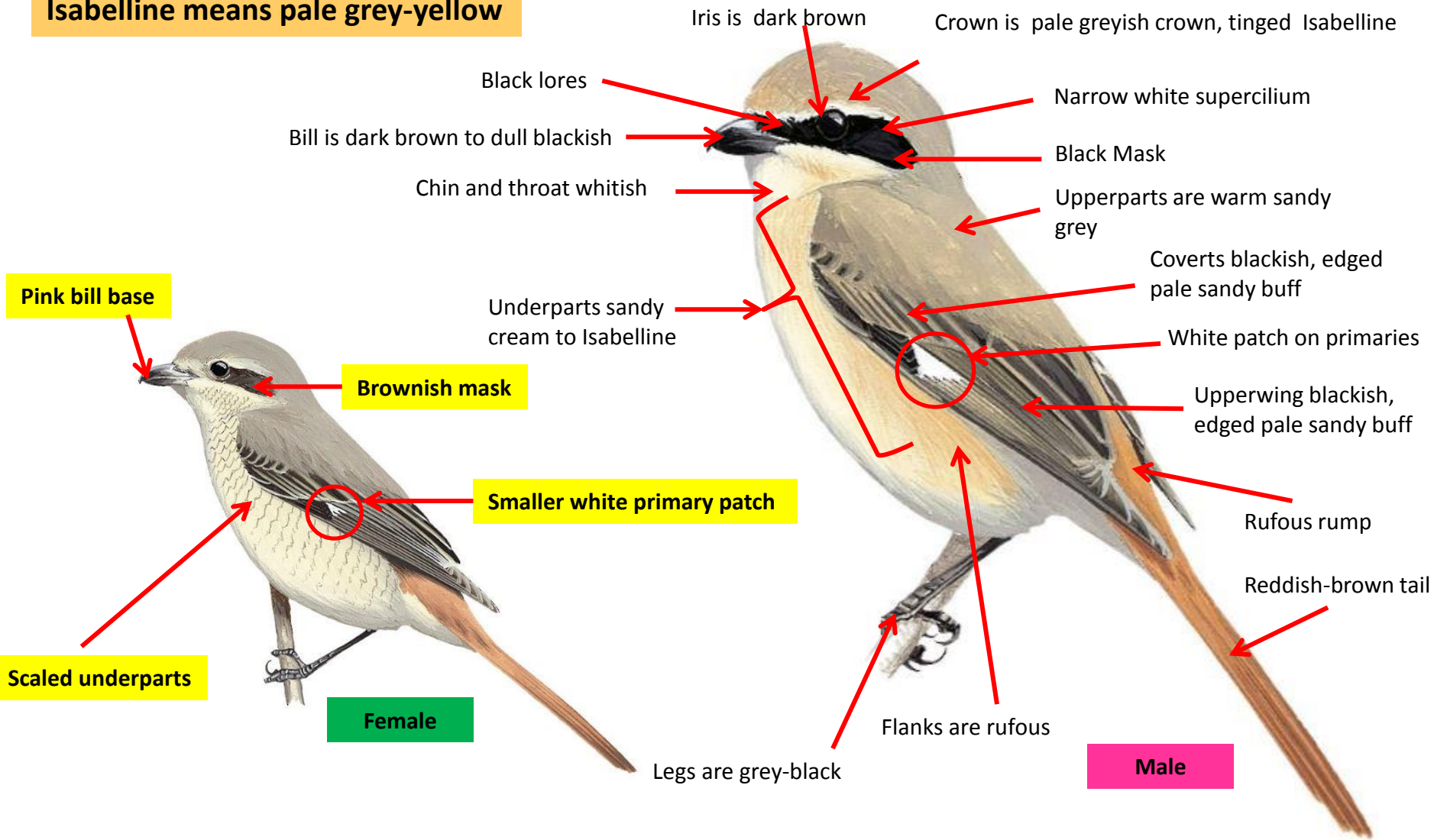
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Isabelline Shrike Identification Tips

Isabelline Shrike : *Lanius isabellinus*: Winters visitor to North West India

Isabelline means pale grey-yellow



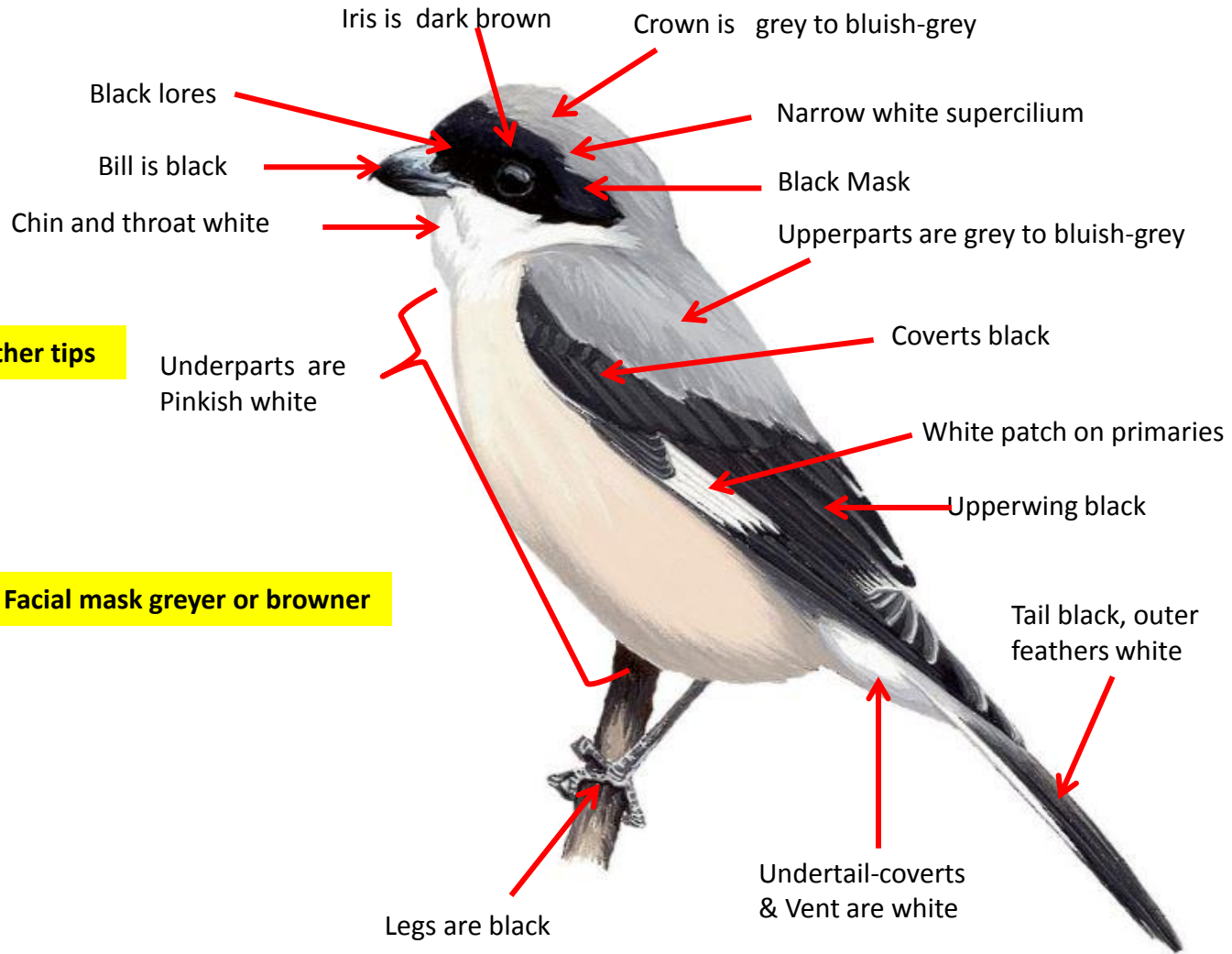
Difference from male

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Lesser Grey Shrike Identification Tips

Lesser Grey Shrike : *Lanius minor*: Vagrant in India



Lower forehead is black with white feather tips



Female

Male

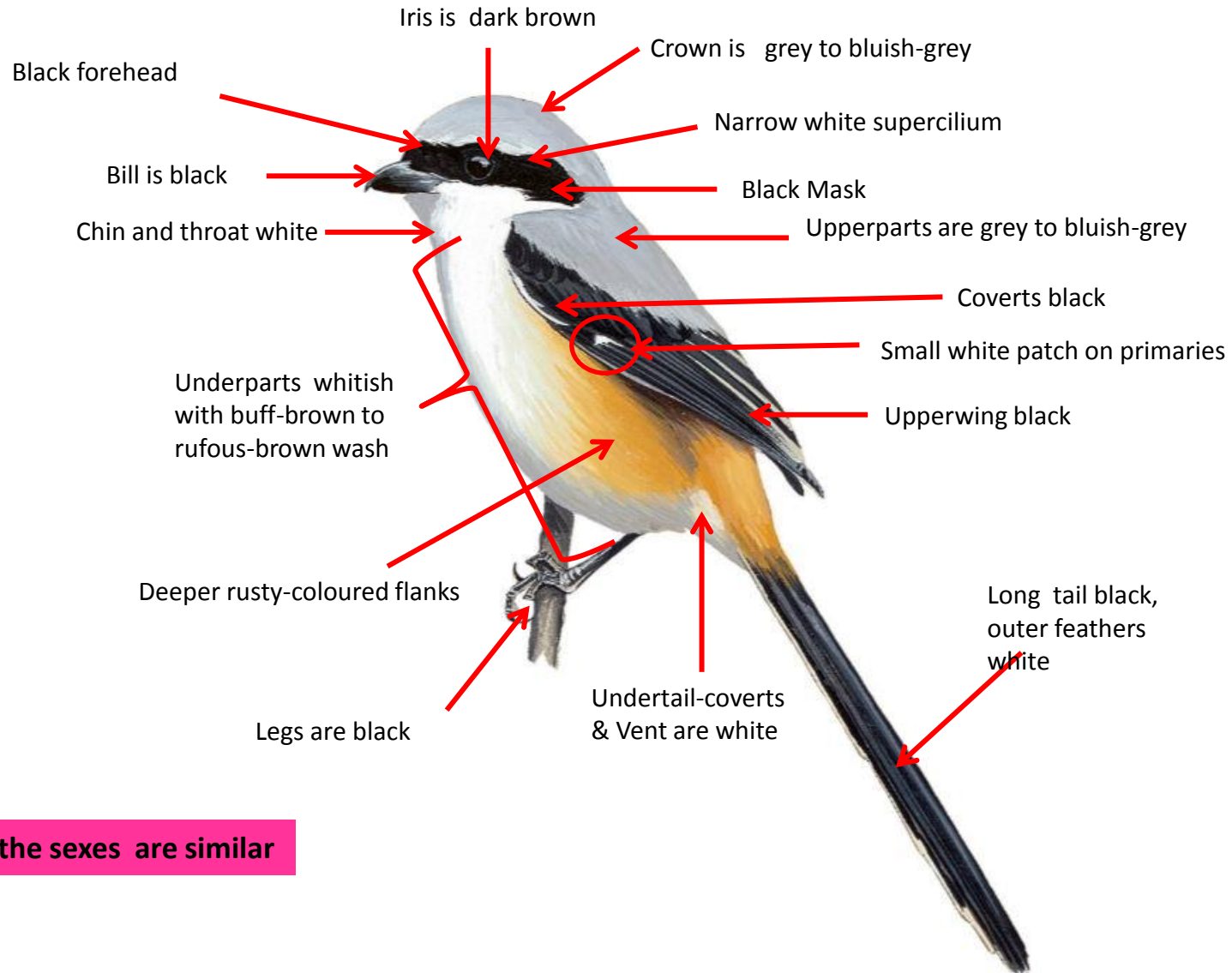
Difference from male

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Long-tailed Shrike Identification Tips

Long-tailed Shrike : *Lanius schach* : Widespread resident & winter visitor in India



Both the sexes are similar

Difference from male

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Red-backed Shrike Identification Tips

Red-backed Shrike : *Lanius collurio*: Passage migrant in North West India

Iris is dark brown

Black lower forehead

Crown is grey to bluish-grey

Narrow white supercilium

Bill has Paler or bluish base in non-breeding season

Bill is black

Black Mask

Chin and throat white

nape is grey to bluish-grey

Upperparts are bright chestnut

Coverts Chestnut fringed black

Upperwing blackish, feathers edged chestnut

Rump and uppertail-coverts bluish-grey

Long tail black, outer feathers white

Undertail-coverts & Vent are white

Male

Legs are black

Underparts light salmon-pink

Creamy lower forehead

Crown warm brown

Brown Mask/ ear-covert

Nape tinged grey

Upperparts warm brown

Underparts creamy vermiculated with blackish

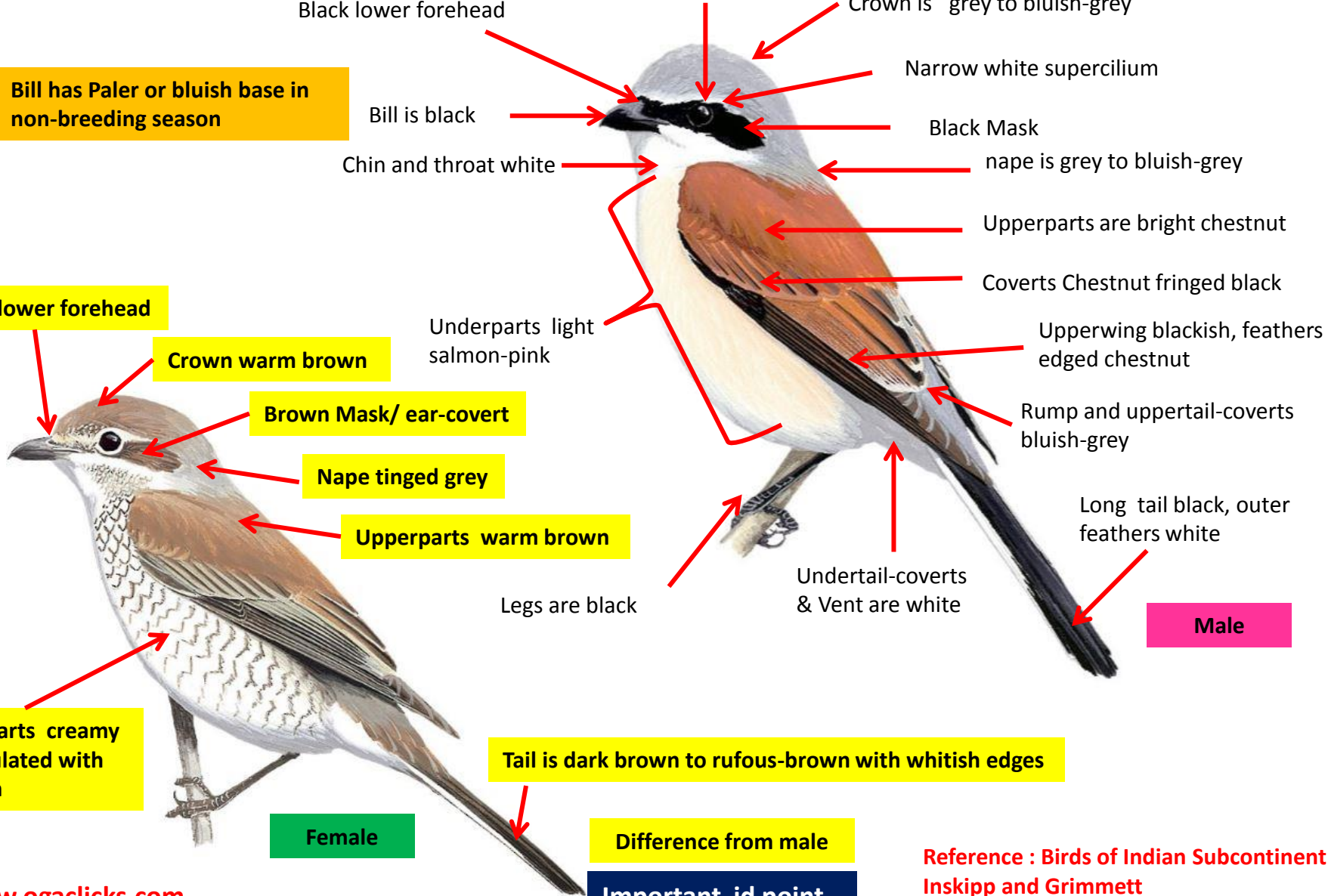
Tail is dark brown to rufous-brown with whitish edges

Female

Difference from male

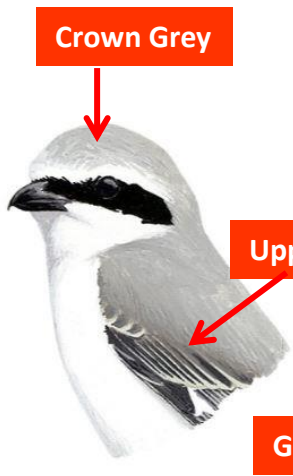
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Red-tailed Shrike Identification Tips

Red-tailed Shrike : *Lanius phoenicuroides*: Passage migrant in North West India



Crown Grey

Upperparts Grey

Grey Morph

Whitish-buff Lores

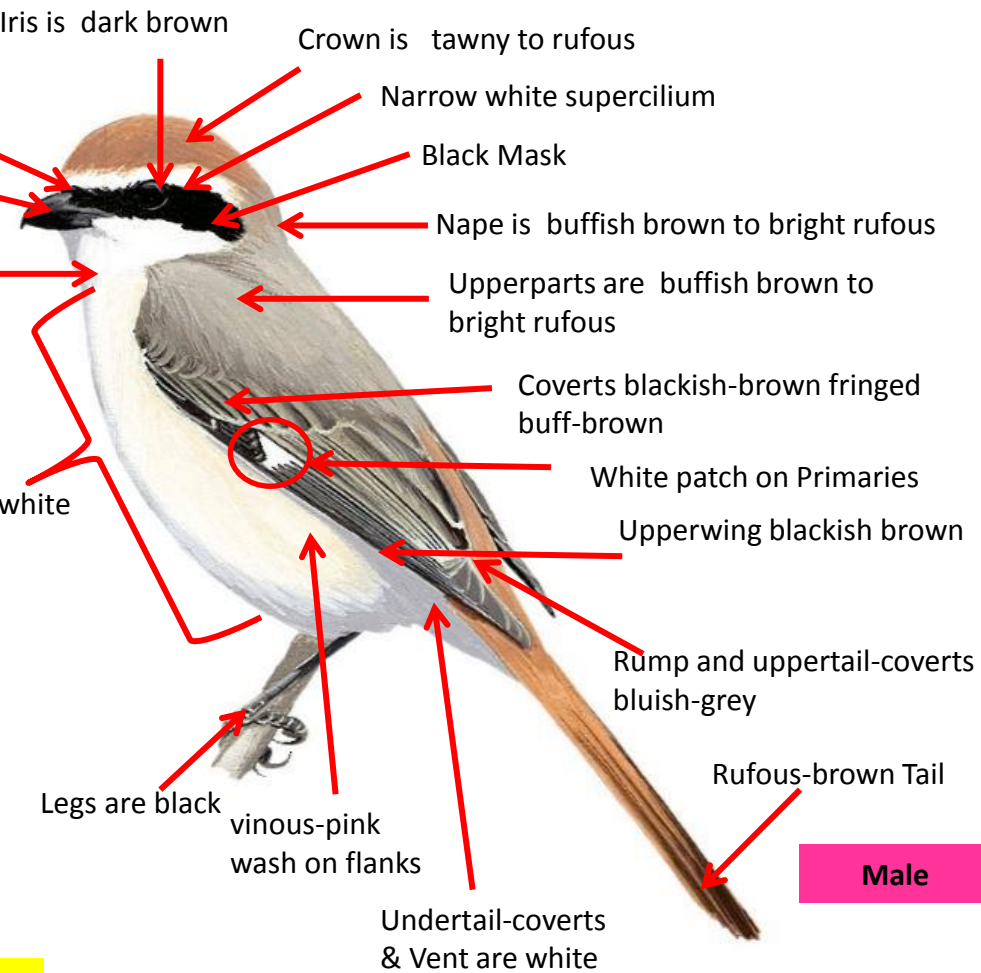
Crown warm brown

Brown Mask/ ear-covert

Upperparts warm brown

Underparts white vermiculated with blackish

Female



Male

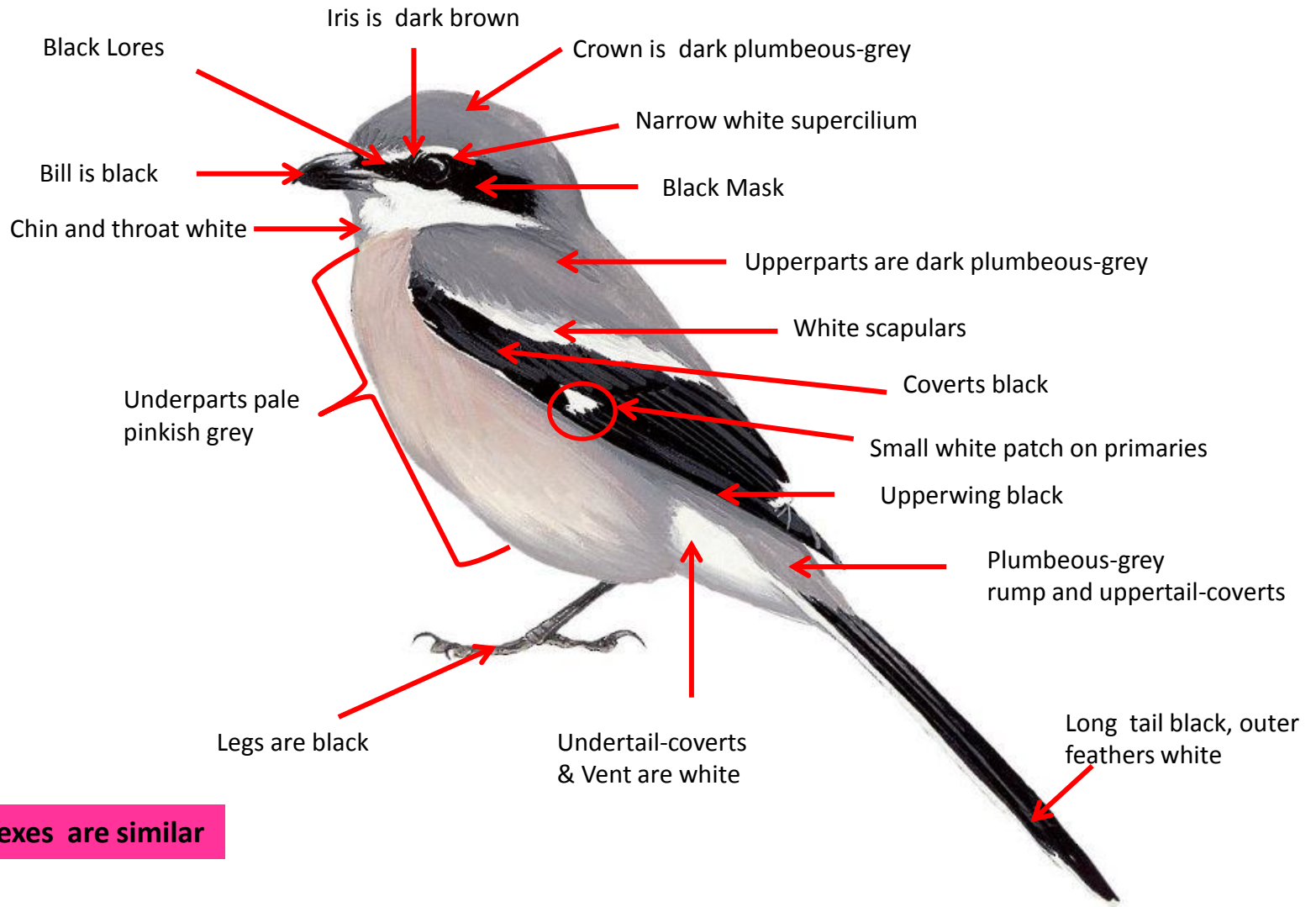
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Southern Grey Shrike (Iberian Grey Shrike) Identification Tips

Southern Grey Shrike (Iberian Grey Shrike) : *Lanius meridionalis* : Widespread resident in North ,West & North West India



Both the sexes are similar

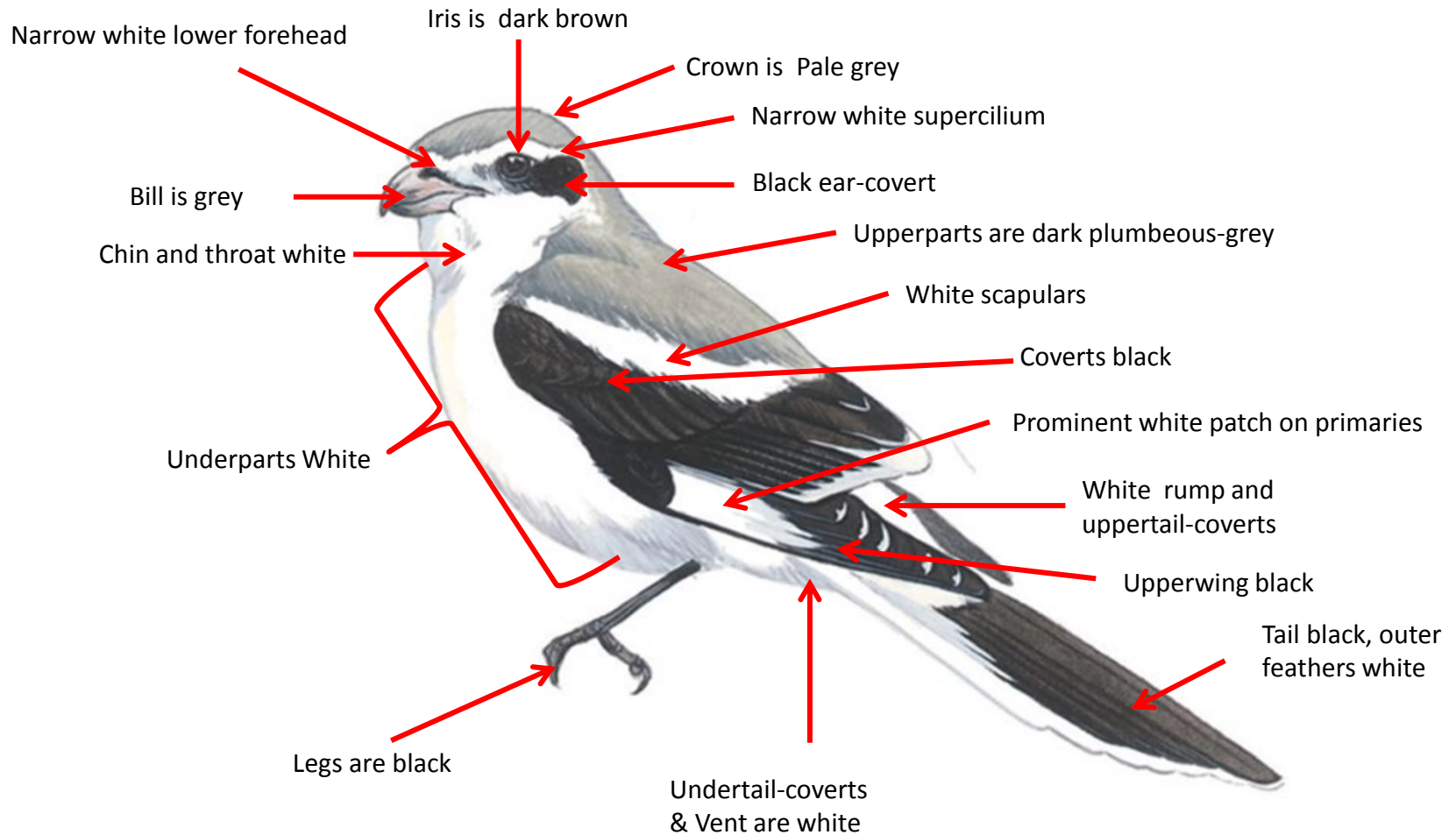
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Steppe Grey Shrike Identification Tips

Steppe Grey Shrike : *Lanius meridionalis pallidirostris* : Winters visitor in Extreme west Rajasthan, & Gujarat in India



Both the sexes are similar

Difference from male

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