



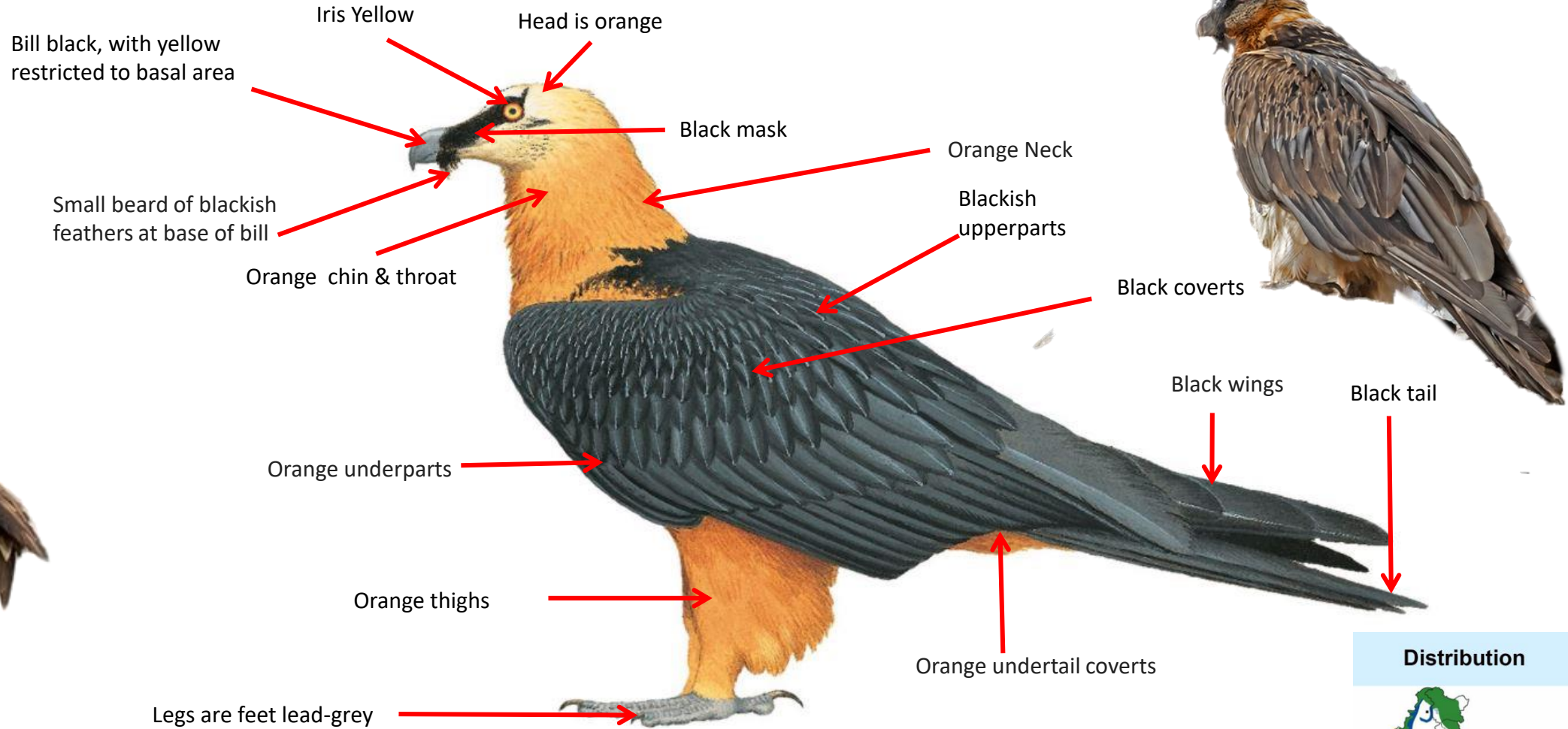
- The following pages have some identification markers for each of Vultures found in India
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## List of Vultures found in India

<b>Sno.</b>	<b>Name</b>	<b><i>Binomial Name</i></b>
<b>1</b>	<b>Bearded Vulture</b>	<b><i>Gypaetus barbatus</i></b>
<b>2</b>	<b>Cinereous Vulture</b>	<b><i>Aegyptius monachus</i></b>
<b>3</b>	<b>Egyptian Vulture</b>	<b><i>Neophron percnopterus</i></b>
<b>4</b>	<b>Griffon Vulture</b>	<b><i>Gyps fulvus</i></b>
<b>5</b>	<b>Himalayan Vulture</b>	<b><i>Gyps himalayensis</i></b>
<b>6</b>	<b>Indian Vulture</b>	<b><i>Gyps indicus</i></b>
<b>7</b>	<b>Red-headed Vulture</b>	<b><i>Sarcogyps calvus</i></b>
<b>8</b>	<b>Slender-billed Vulture</b>	<b><i>Gyps tenuirostris</i></b>
<b>9</b>	<b>White-rumped Vulture</b>	<b><i>Gyps benghalensis</i></b>

# Bearded Vulture identification Tips

Bearded Vulture : *Gypaetus barbatus* : Resident of Himalayas in India



Head is Brown



Juvenile

Important id point

Both the sexes are similar

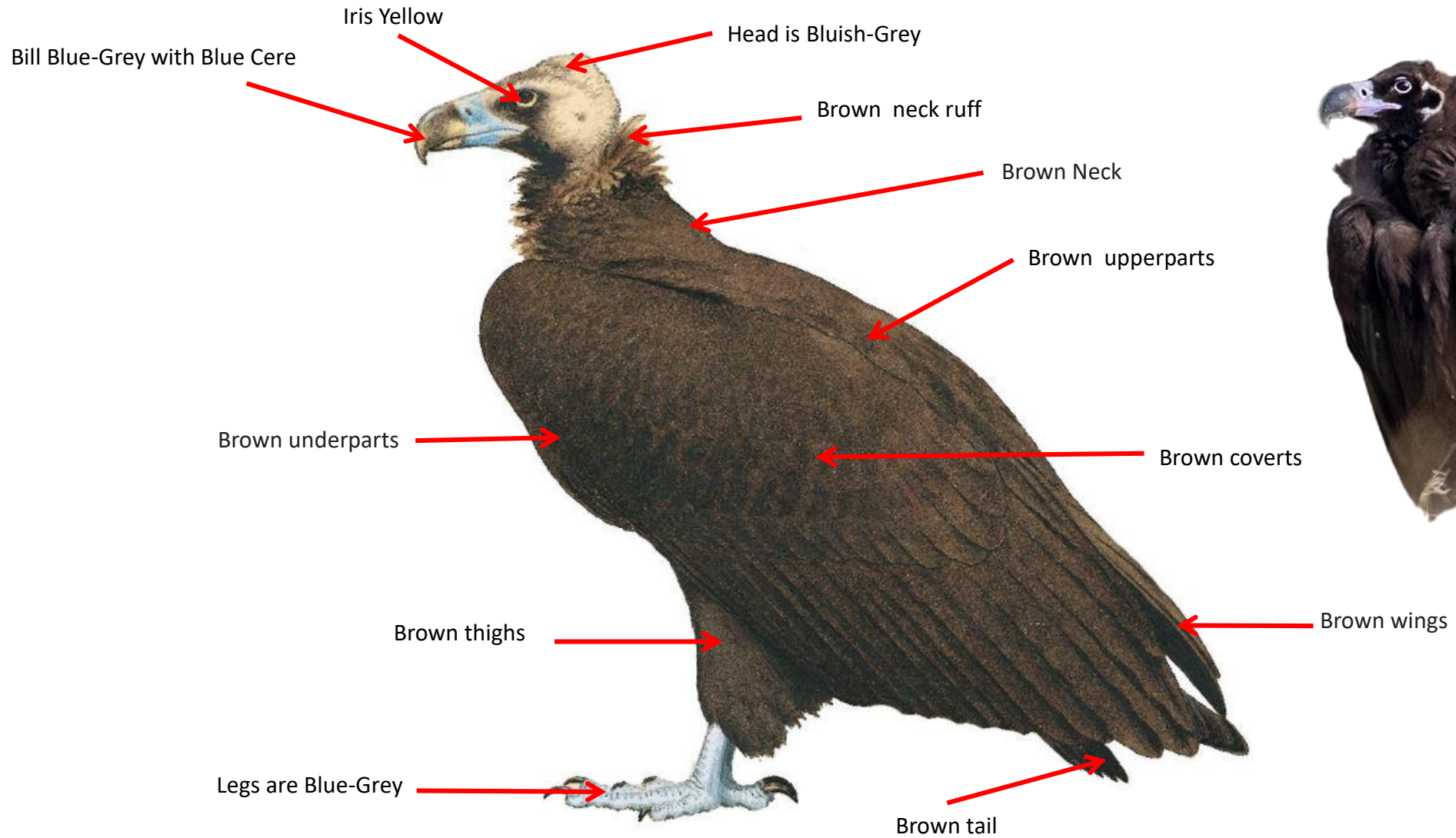
Difference from Adult

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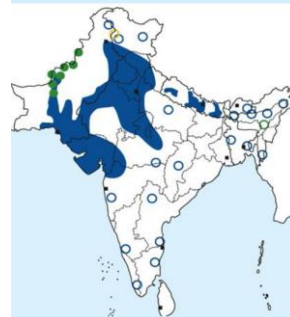
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# Cinereous Vulture identification Tips

**Cinereous Vulture: *Aegypius monachus*** : Winter visitor to Himalayas & NorthWest India



## Distribution



**Important id point**

**Both the sexes are similar**

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# Egyptian Vulture identification Tips

Egyptian Vulture : *Neophron percnopterus* : Widespread resident in India ( Except North East)

Yellow beak with Black tip

Yellow Face

Head is White

Neck feathers are long and form a hackle

***N. p. ginginianus*- Resident widespread in India except North West**

Yellow beak without Black tip



White underparts

Dirty White upperparts

White wing coverts

Black flight feathers in the wings

White thighs

White tail

Legs are greyish white, pink or pale yellow

Black upperparts

Grey Face

Black Underparts

Juvenile

Legs are greyish

**Important id point**

**Both the sexes are similar**

**Difference from Adult**

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**Distribution**



# Eurasian Griffon Vulture identification Tips

Eurasian Griffon Vulture: *Gyps fulvus* : Winter Visitor to North, West , East & North East India

Buff Brown upperparts

Blue orbital ring

White Neck

Brown wings

Head is white

Dark centers to greater upperwing-coverts

Bill Yellow with Grey Cere

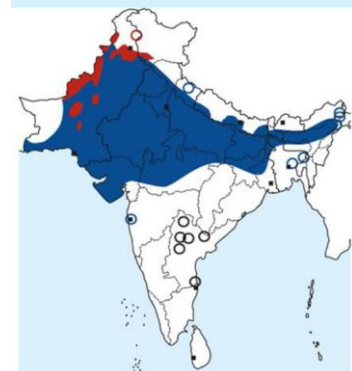
Brown tail

Buff Brown underparts

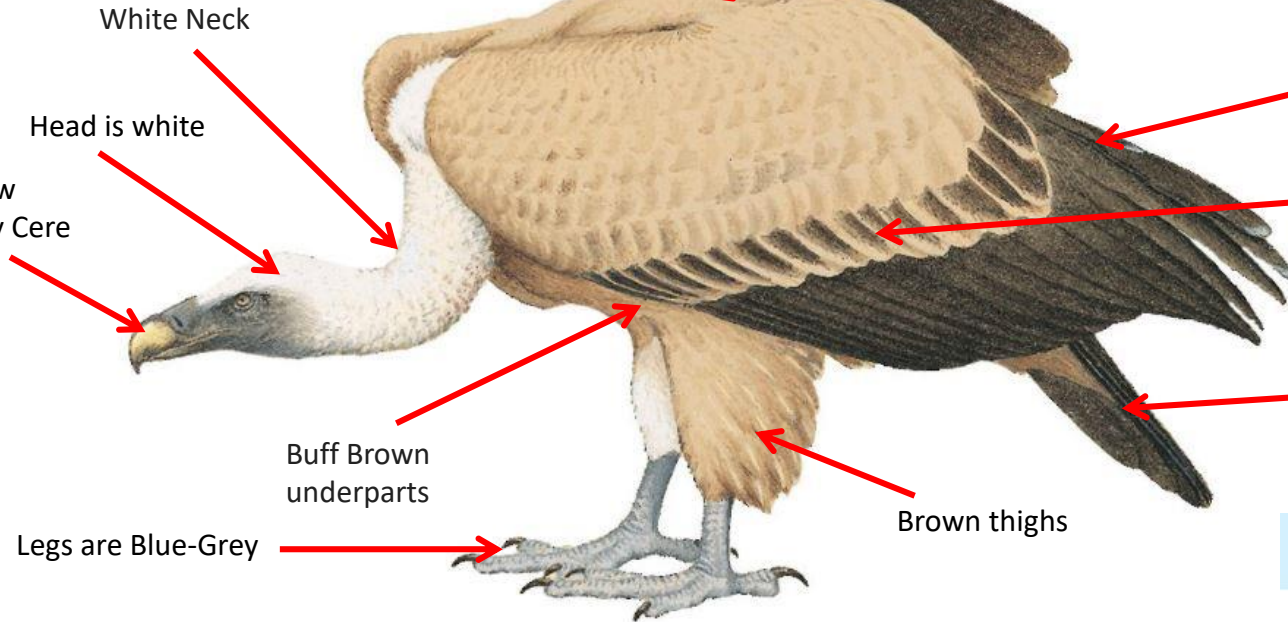
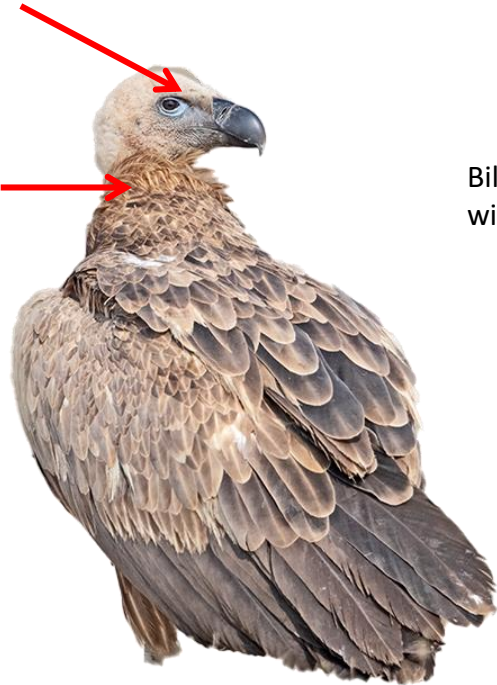
Brown thighs

Legs are Blue-Grey

Distribution



Brown neck hackles



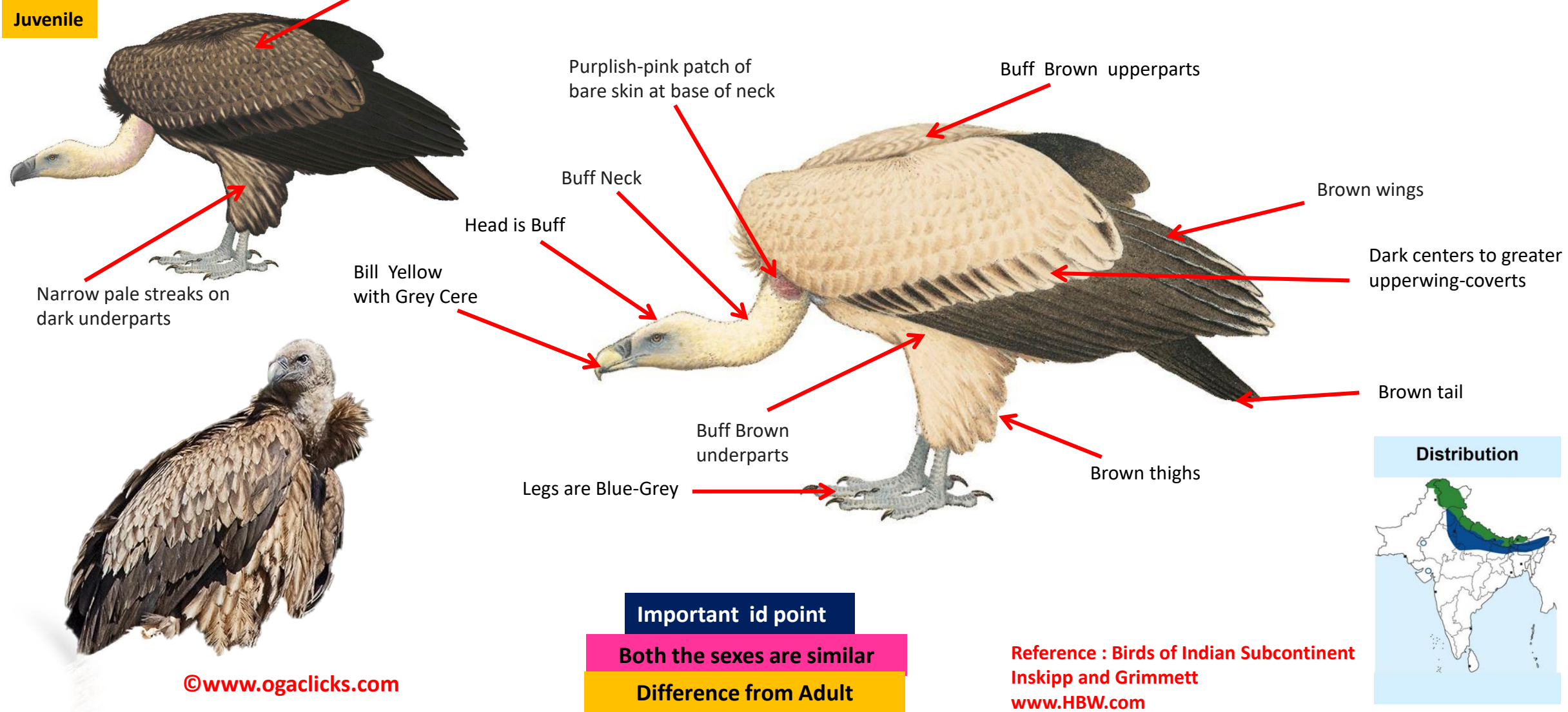
Important id point

Both the sexes are similar

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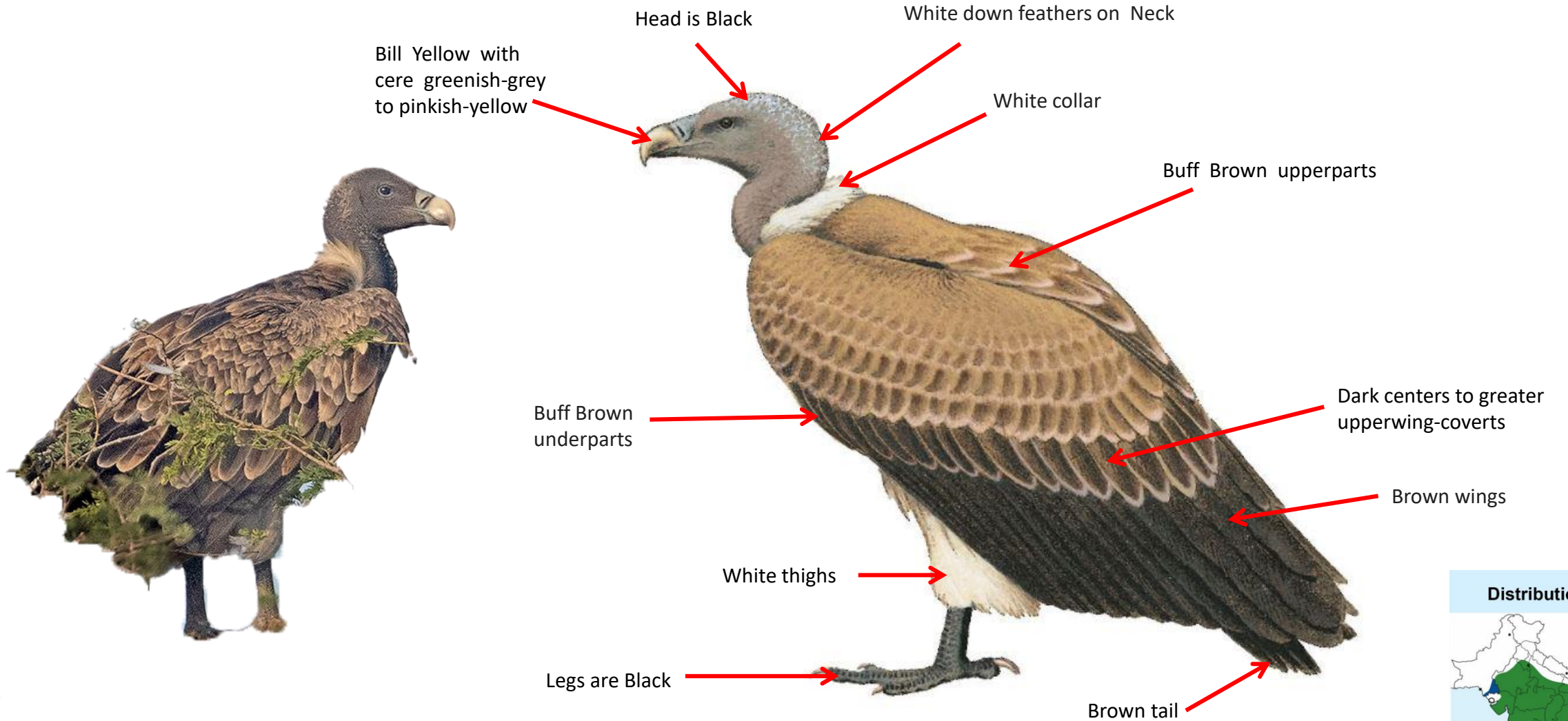
# Himalayan Griffon Vulture identification Tips

**Himalayan Griffon Vulture: *Gyps himalayensis*** : Resident of Himalayas ; winter visitor to North Indian plains in India



# Indian Vulture identification Tips

**Indian Vulture : *Gyps indicus*:** Widespread resident in India ( Except North , East , North East & Tamil Nadu)



**Important id point**

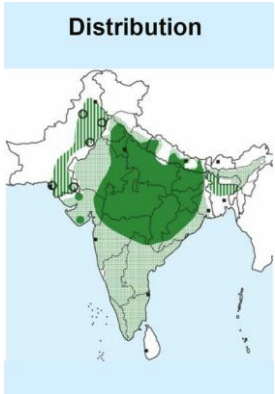
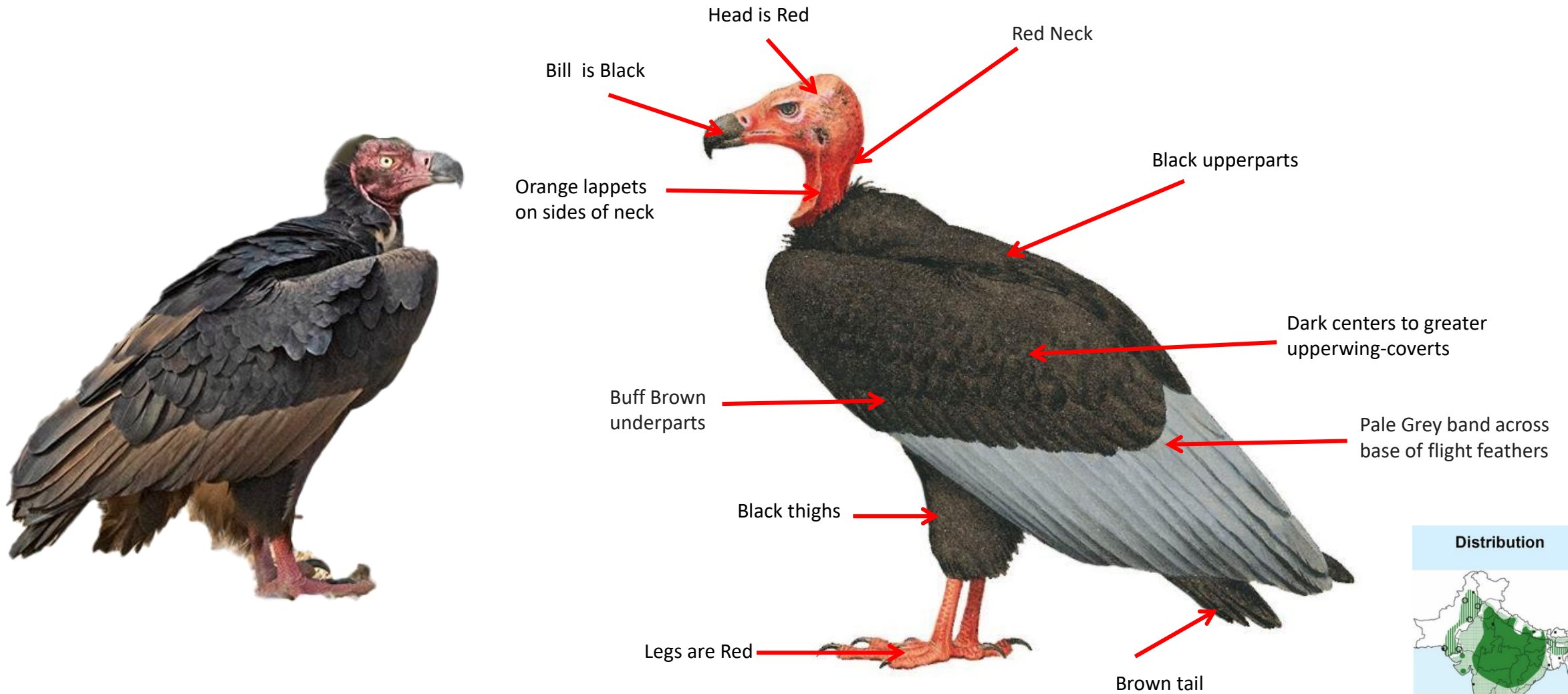
**Both the sexes are similar**

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# Red-headed Vulture identification Tips

Red-headed Vulture : *Sarcogyps calvus*: Widespread resident in India



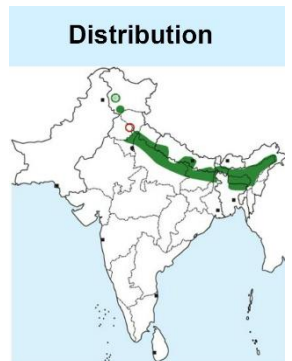
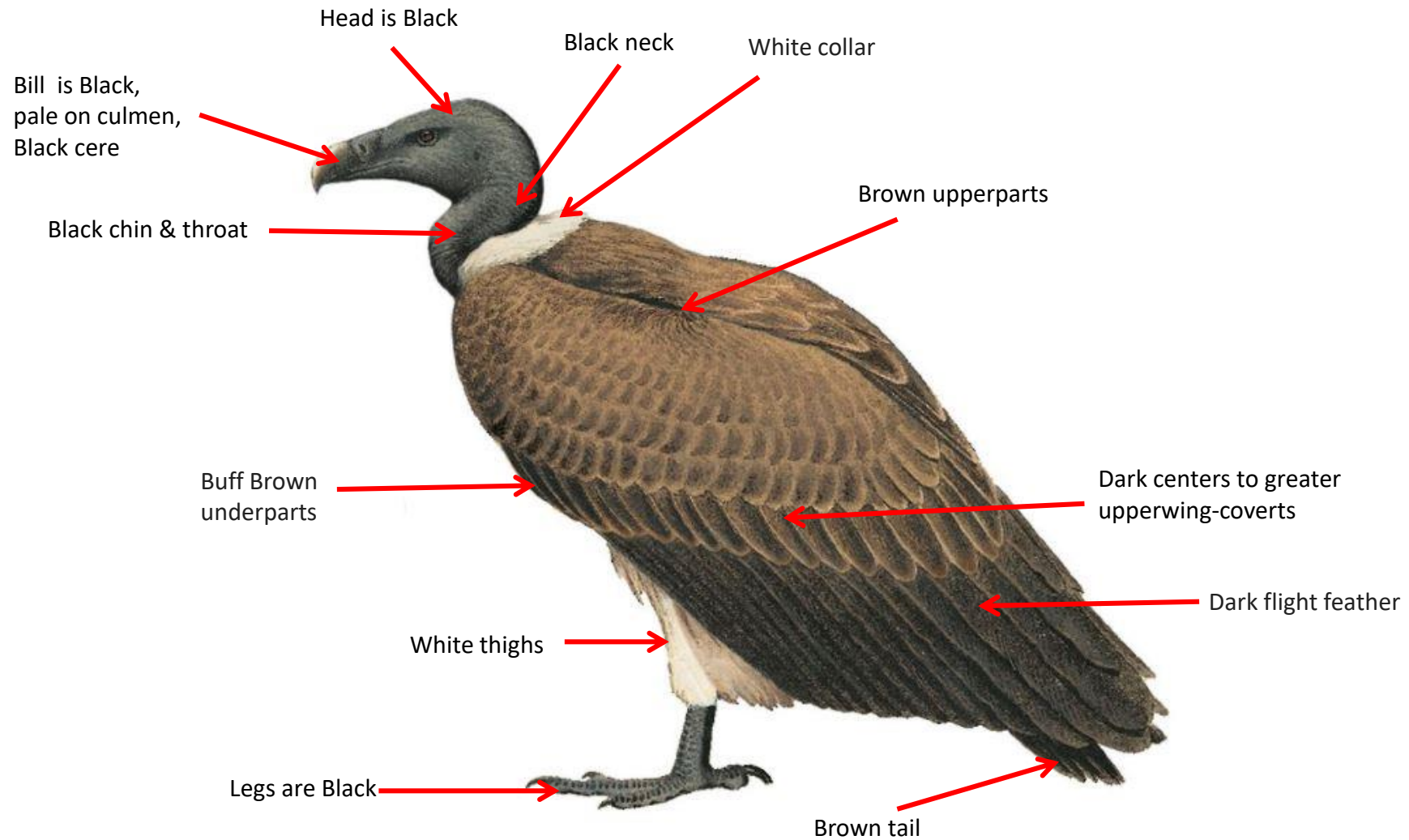
**Important id point**

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# Slender-billed Vulture identification Tips

**Slender-billed Vulture : *Gyps tenuirostris*** : Resident of Lower Himalayas , Ganges Delta & North East India



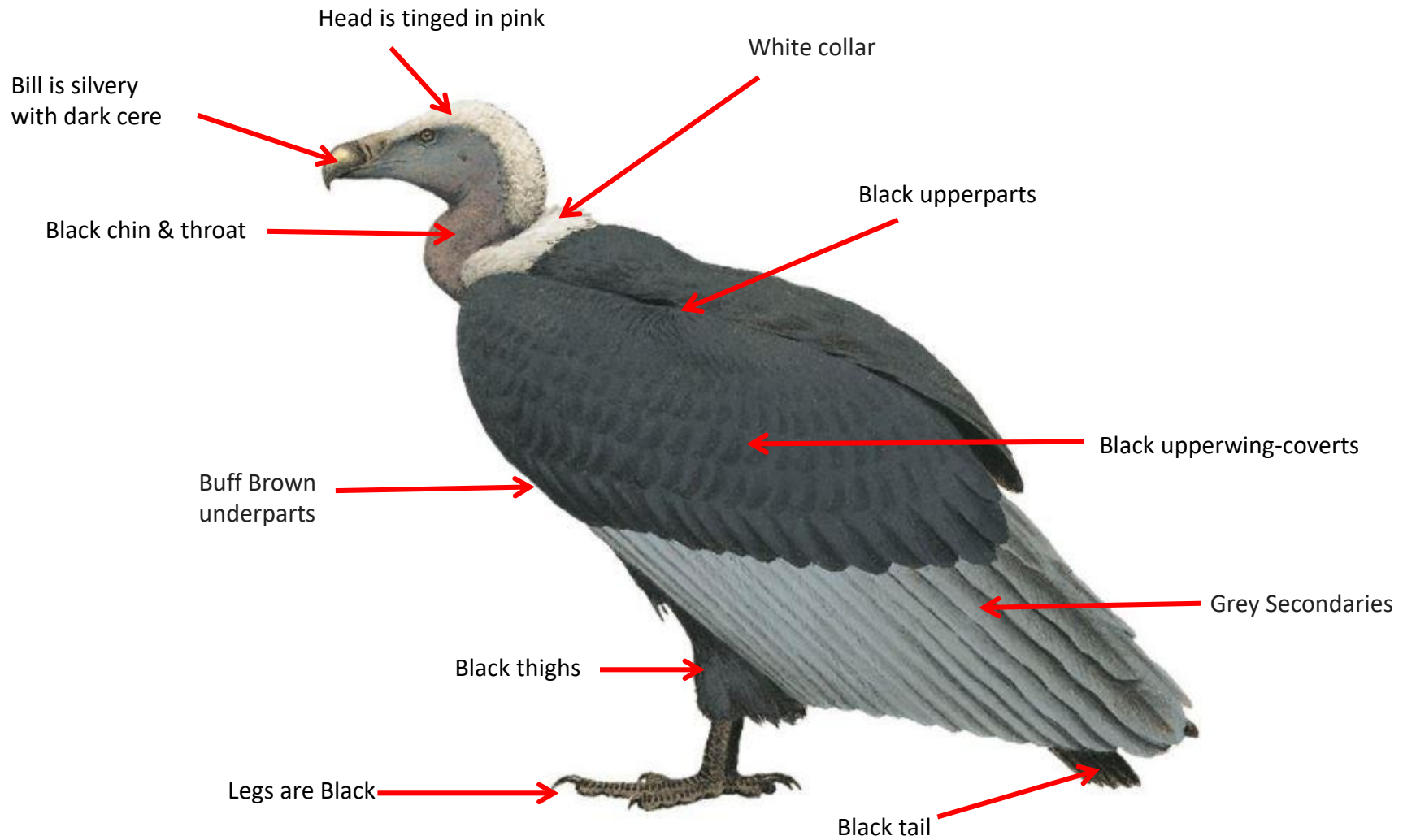
**Important id point**

**Both the sexes are similar**

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# White-rumped Vulture identification Tips

**White-rumped Vulture : *Gyps benghalensis* :** Widespread resident in India



**Important id point**

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# Eurasian Vs Himalayan Griffon

## Eurasian Griffon

**Adult** :Uniformly pale rufescent brown upper side and upperwing-coverts, contrasting markedly with remiges; rather dark brown underside (except for whitish feathering medially on tibia), with relatively distinct, thin, whitish streaks; mainly whitish, rather fully feathered head and neck; whitish, fluffy ruff; dark grey cere and pale yellowish bill; medium or dark grey tarsi and toes, and dark grey claws; and pale yellowish-brown iris.

**Juvenile** : Similar to adult, but shows indistinct, thin, pale streaks to lesser and median coverts; paler greater coverts lacking broad pale tips; paler underside with less contrasting whitish streaks; brown ruff with longer, more lanceolate and less fluffy feathers; blackish bill; and dark grey-brown iris.

## Himalayan Griffon

**Adult**: Very pale plumage, with pale buffy-white or brownish upper side (rear scapulars dark-centered), underside and upperwing-coverts, contrasting markedly with blackish remiges and mainly blackish greater coverts (inners broadly pale-tipped). Head and neck mainly covered with whitish feathers (pinkish skin often visible at least on foreneck). Ruff prominent, roughly same colour as upper side. Bill and cere pale yellowish, or cere more greyish. Tarsi. and toes pale pinkish, and claws grey. Iris pale yellowish-brown.

**Juvenile** : Overall dark plumage with distinct, thin, whitish streaks to underside and entire upper side and lesser and median coverts. Ruff brown, consisting of long, lanceolate feathers. Bill and cere initially black, though from January-February bill often extensively pale horn or greyish. Tarsi and toes pale pinkish or greyish pink, claws grey. Iris dark grey-brown.