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# **Sylvia Warbler**

# Asian Desert Warbler - Identification Tips

**Asian Desert Warbler : *Sylvia nana*:** Winter visitor to North West India

Eyering whitish

Iris bright yellow, orbital ring dull yellow with inner skin blackish

Upper parts are greyish-brown

Rufous-orange rump and uppertail-coverts

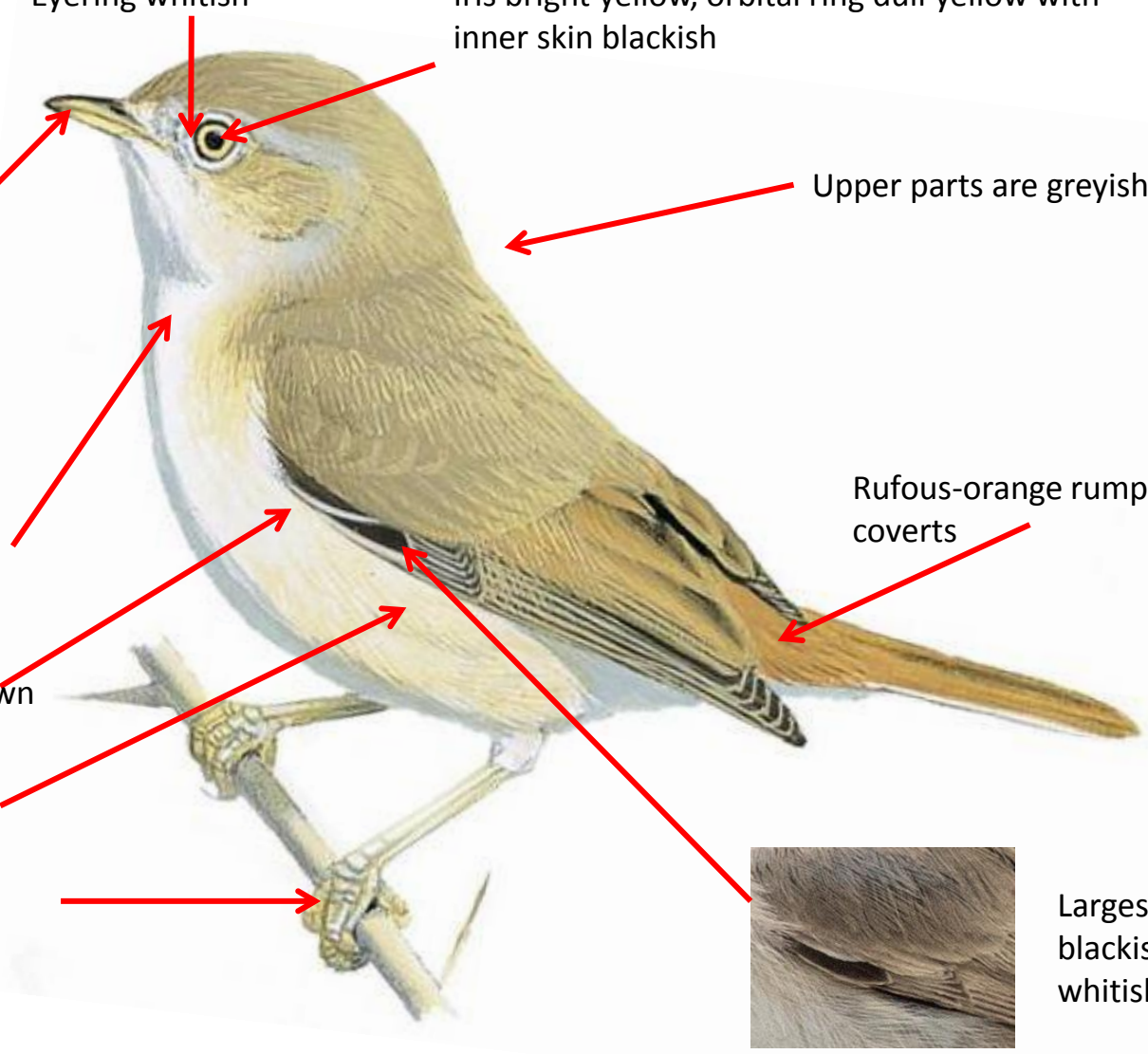
Chin and Throat Whitish

Duskier greyish-brown on breast side

Underparts pale white

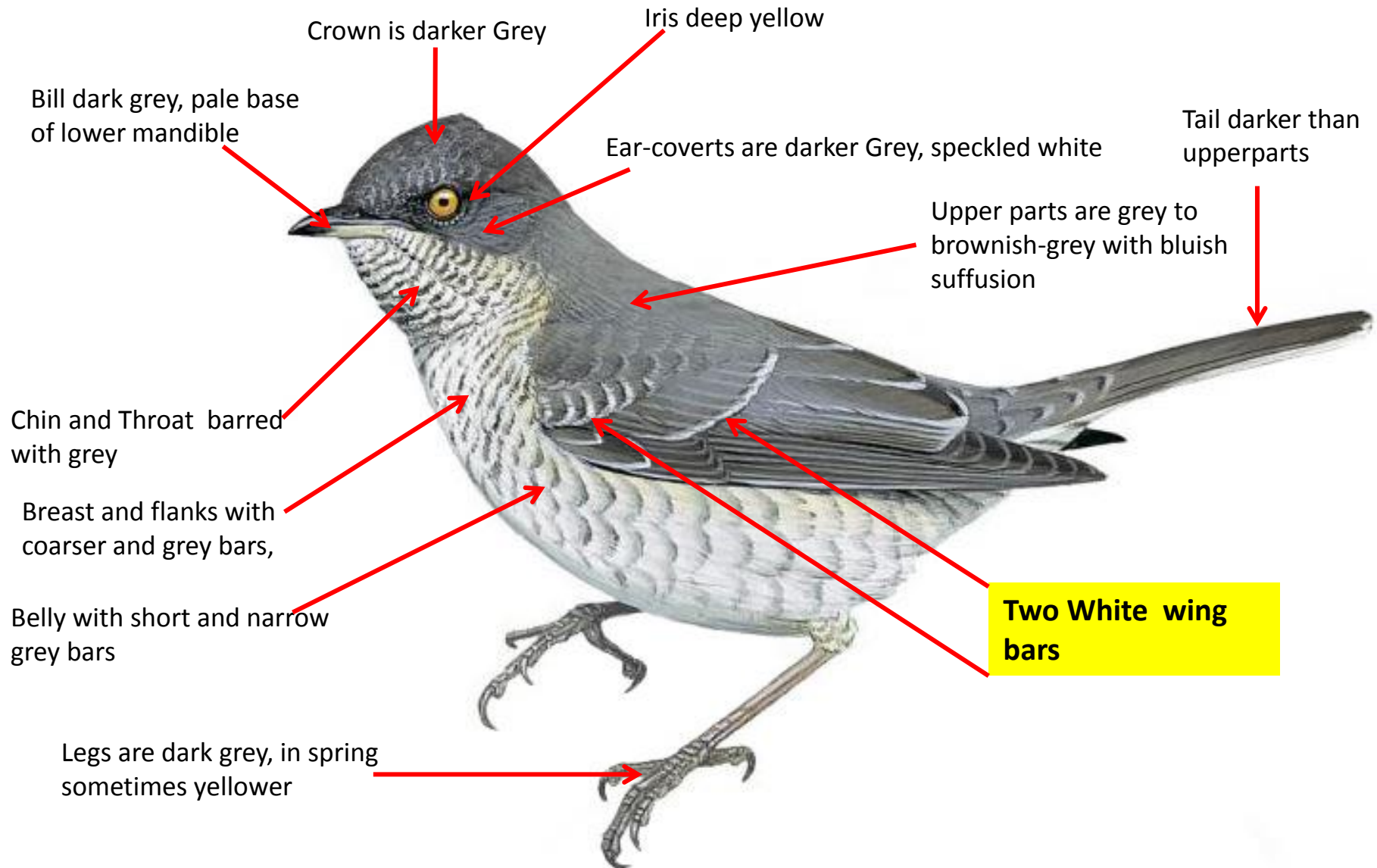
Legs are Yellowish

Largest alula feather blackish with narrow whitish-sandy fringe



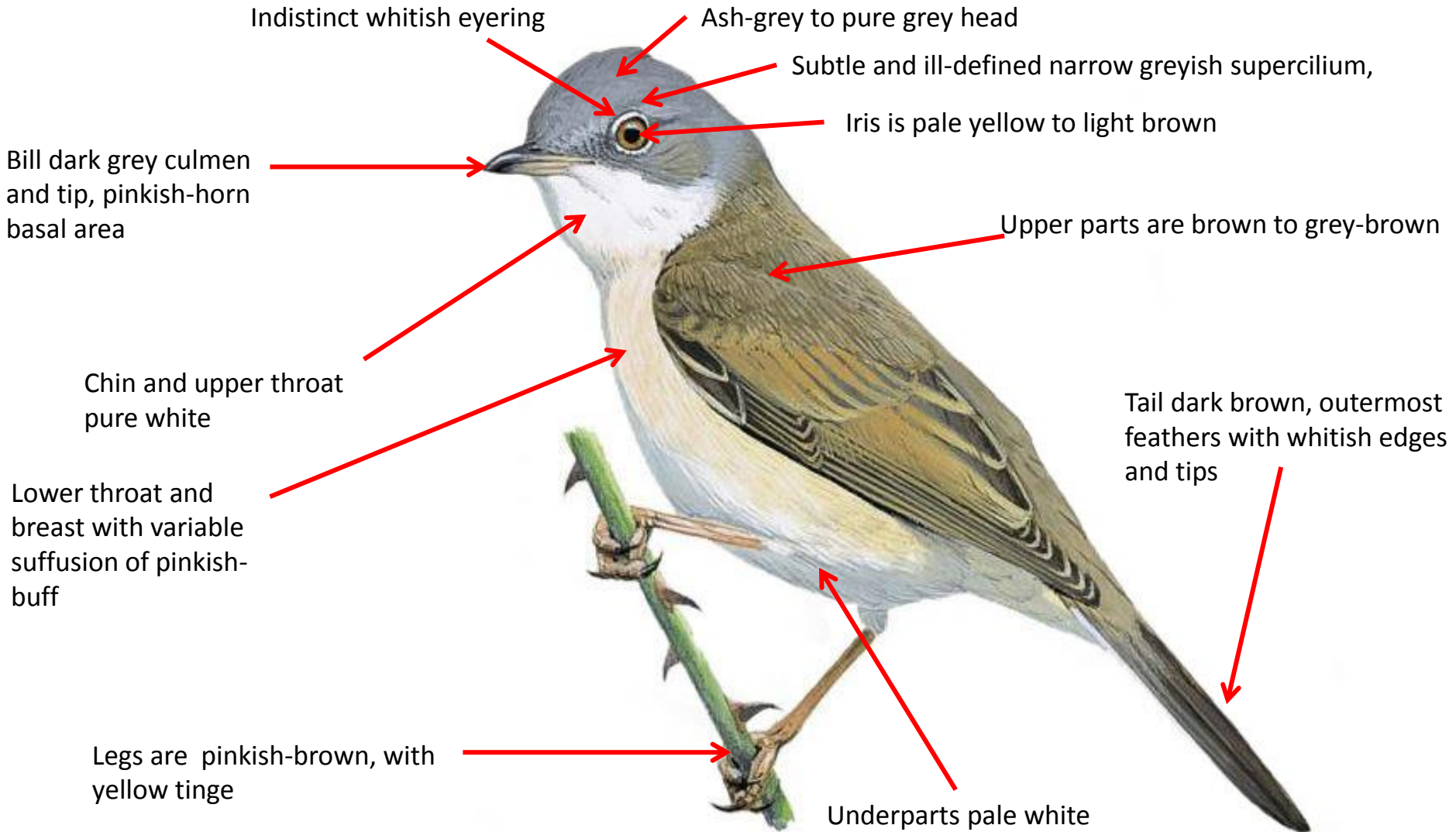
# Barred Warbler - Identification Tips

Barred Warbler : *Sylvia nisoria* : Vagrant in India



## Common Whitethroat - Identification Tips – *S.c. icterops* - Male

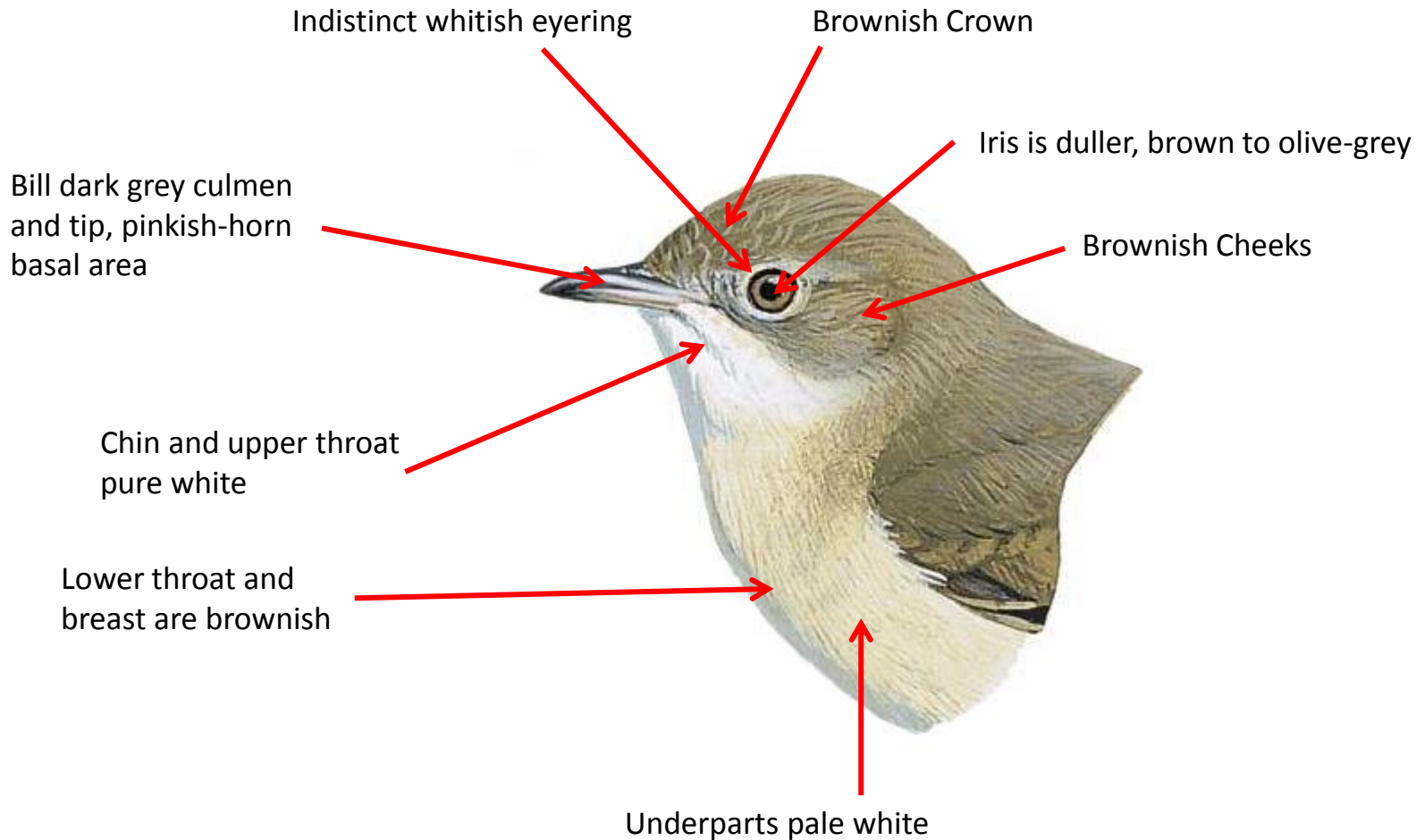
**Common Whitethroat : *Sylvia communis icterops*** - EASTERN GREATER WHITETHROAT – Passage migrant in North West India ( mainly Gujarat and Rajasthan)



## Common Whitethroat - Identification Tips – *S.c. icterops* - Female

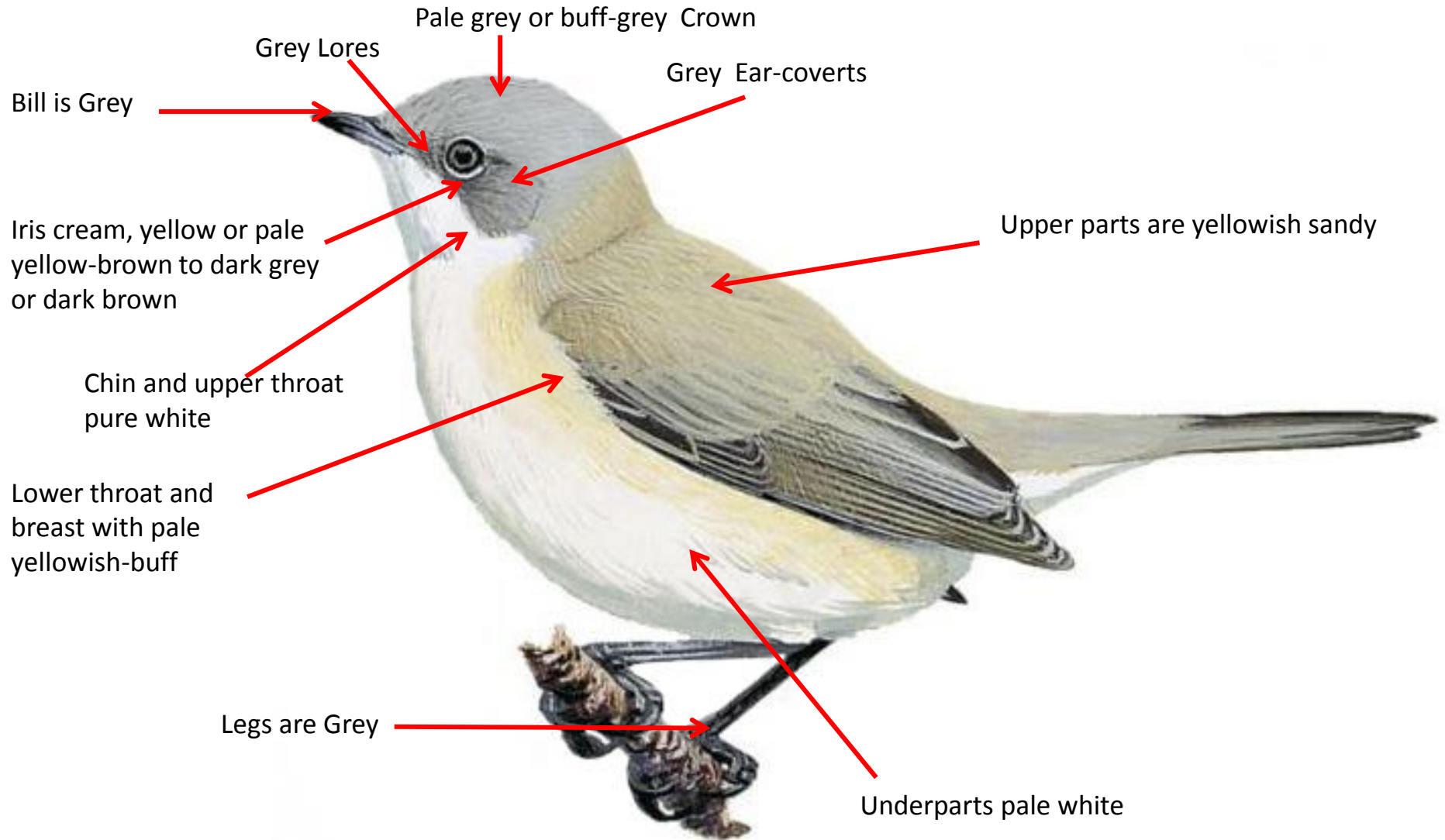
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**Only Difference from Male is highlighted**



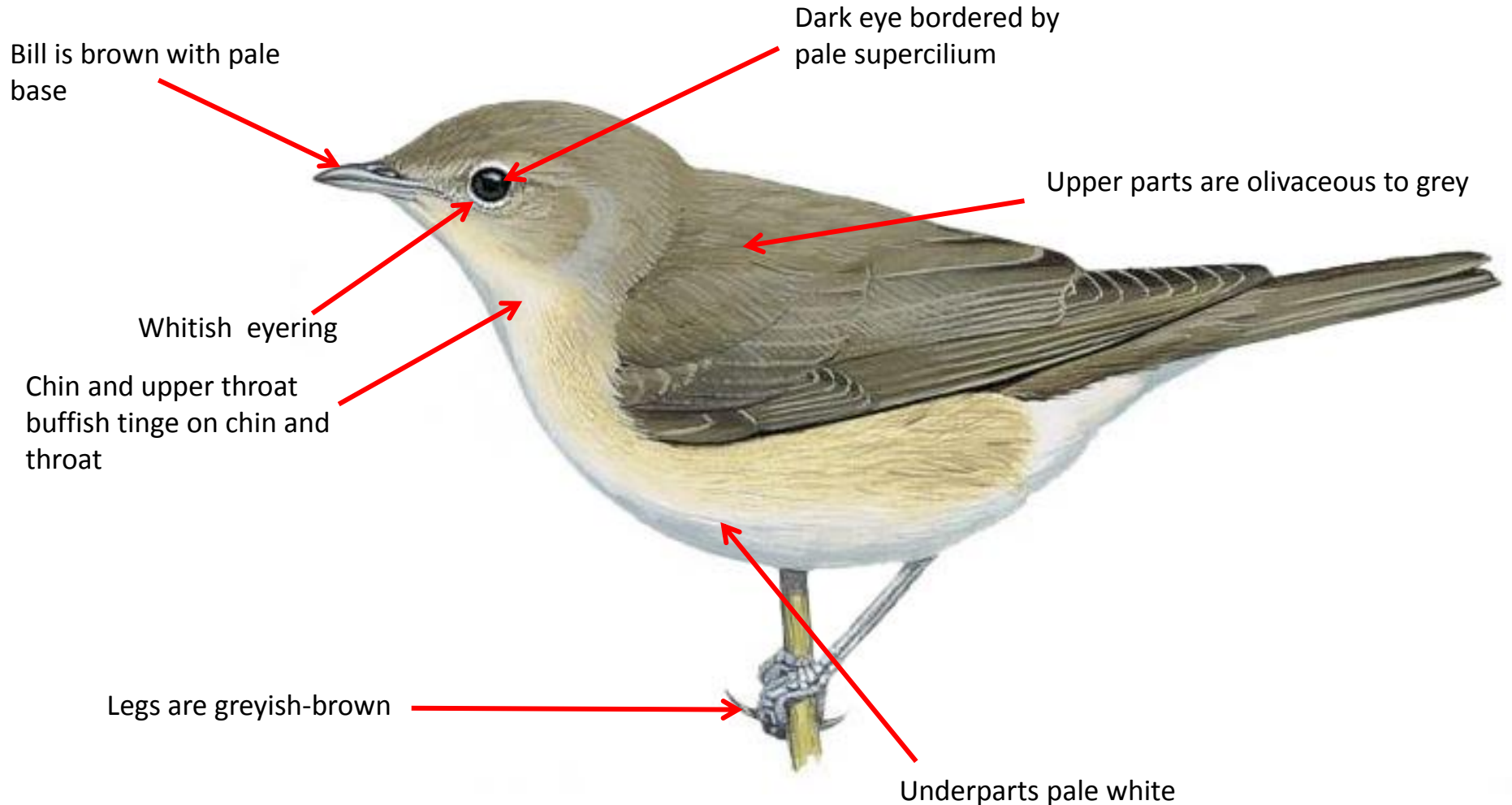
## Dessert Whitethroat - Identification Tips

**Dessert Whitethroat : *Sylvia minula***- Passage migrant and winter visitor in North West India (mainly Gujarat and Rajasthan)



## Garden Warbler- Identification Tips

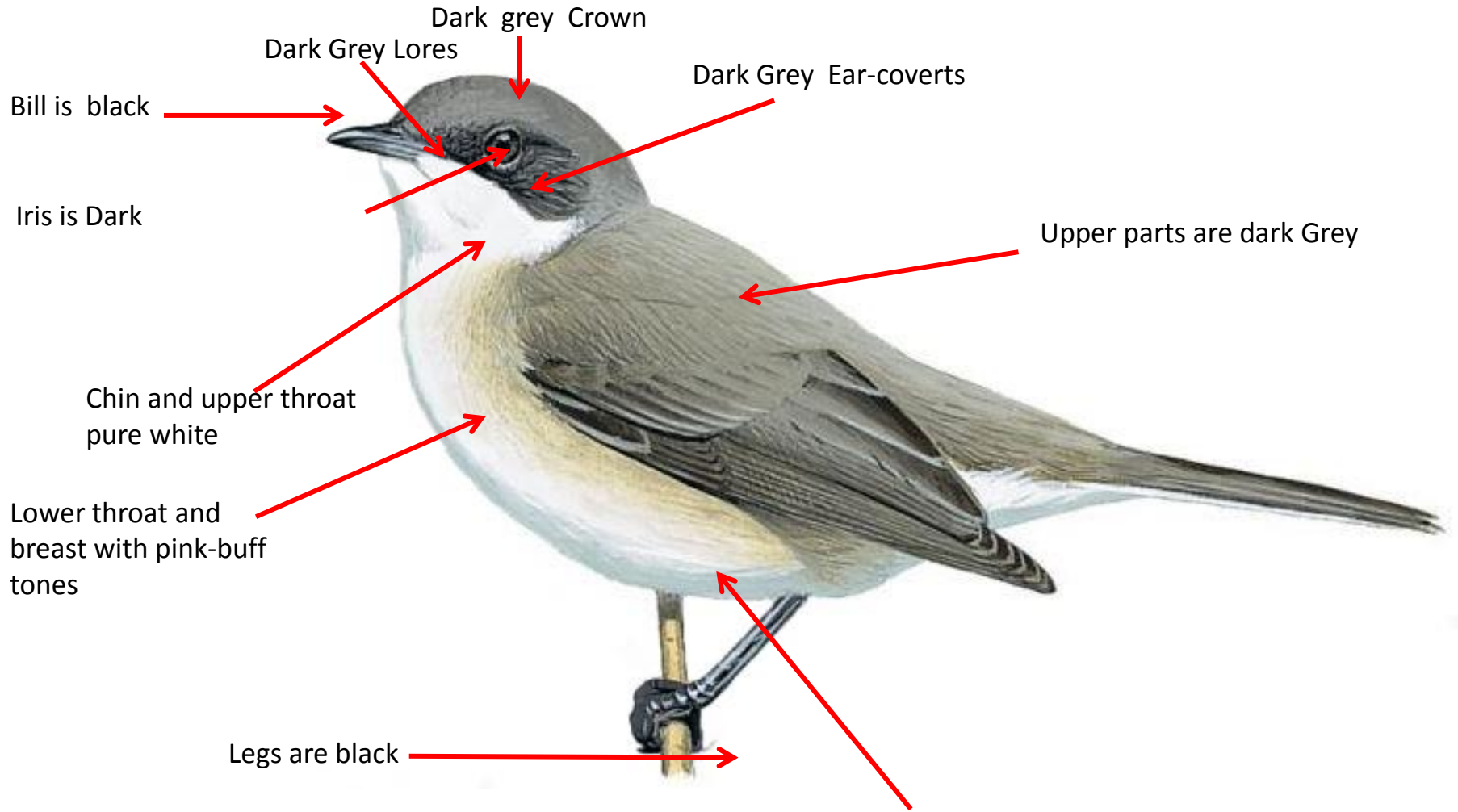
**Dessert Whitethroat : *Sylvia borin*- Vagrant in India**





## Hume's Whitethroat - Identification Tips

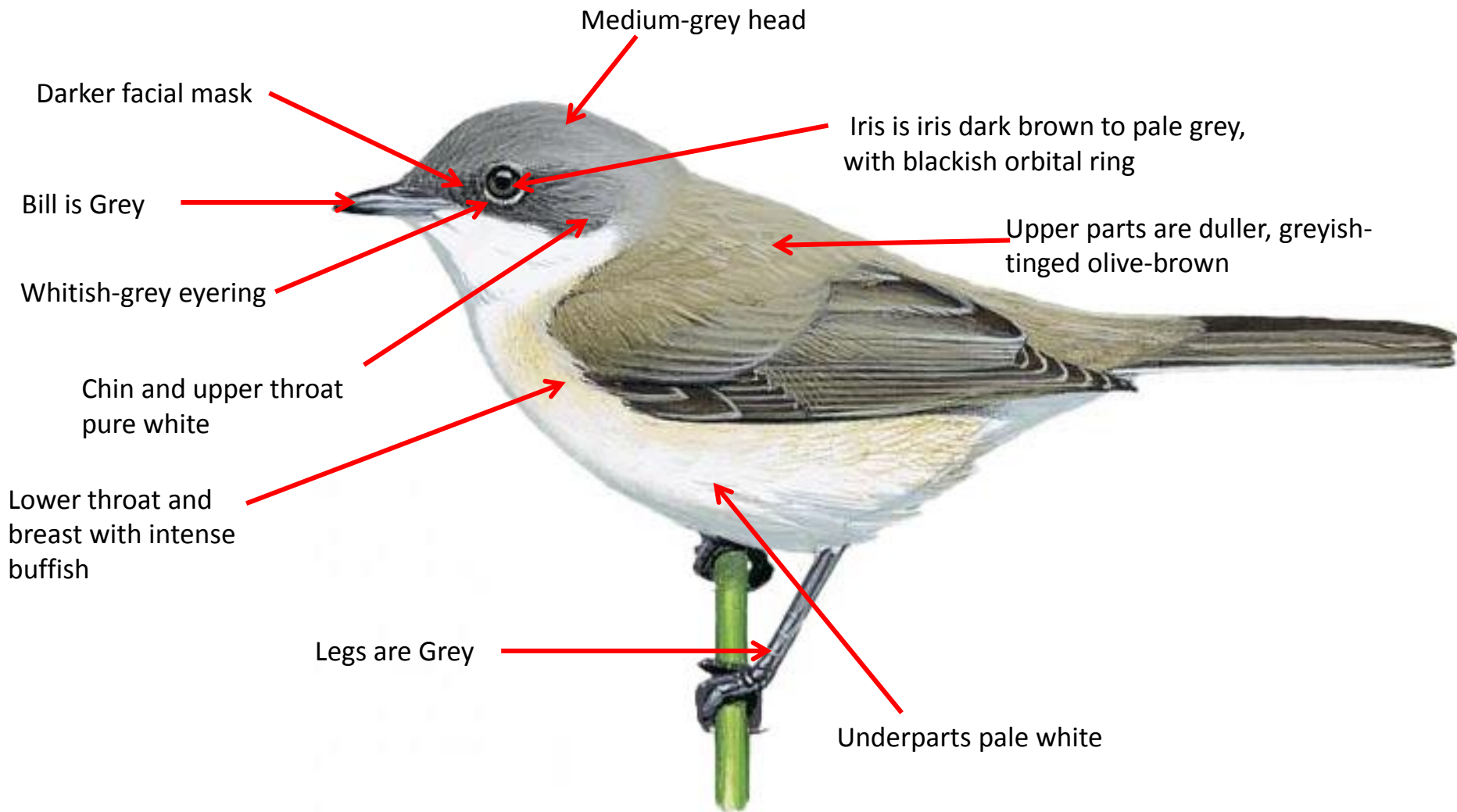
**Hume's Whitethroat** : *Sylvia althaea* - Breeds in North West Himalayas (Kashmir, Ladakh), passage migrant in North West India and winter visitor in South West India



This is now lumped within Lesser Whitethroat (*Sylvia curruca*).

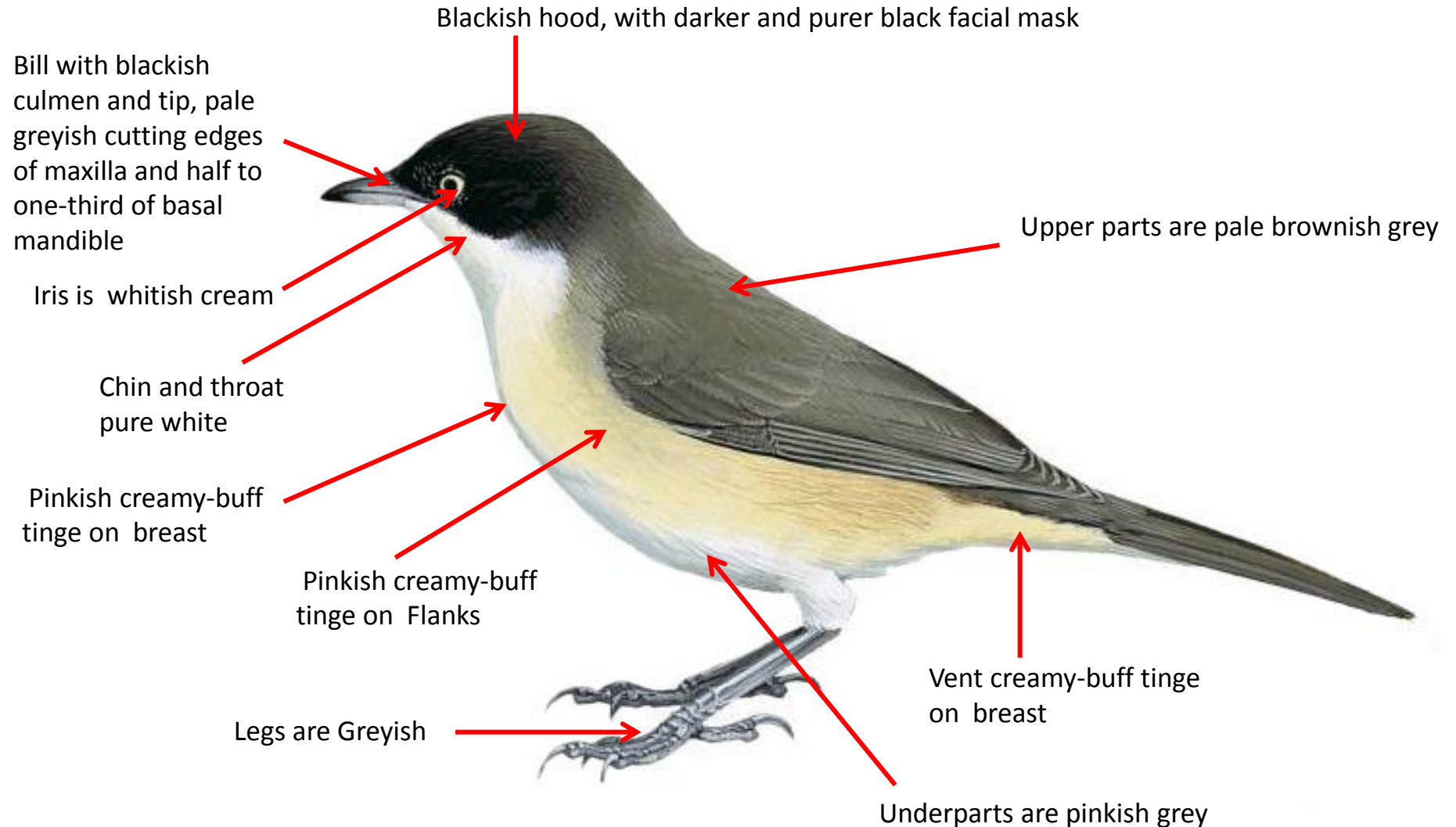
## Lesser Whitethroat - Identification Tips

**Common Whitethroat** : *Sylvia curruca*- Widespread winter visitor in West, North, Central and South West India



## Orphean Warbler - Identification Tips -Male

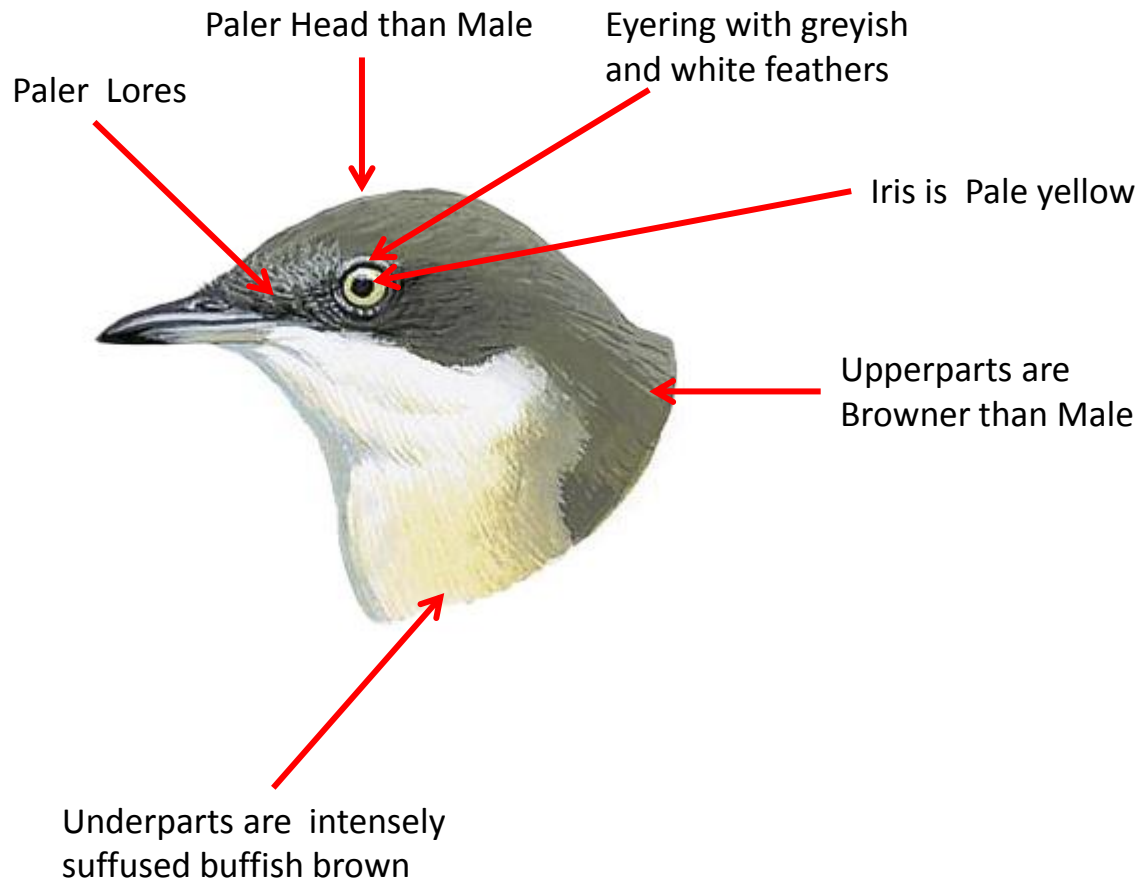
**Orphean Warbler : *Sylvia hortensis*** : Winter visitor in West and South India; sporadically spread across other parts except North East of India in Winters.



## Orphean Warbler - Identification Tips - Female

**Orphean Warbler** : *Sylvia hortensis* : Winter visitor in West and South India; sporadically spread across other parts except North East of India in Winters.

### Only Difference from Male is highlighted



# Hippolais Warbler

## Booted Warbler- Identification Tips

**Booted Warbler- : *Iduna caigata*:** Passage Migrant in West and Central India; Winter Visitor in Central and South East and South India.

Bill is light brownish-pink with dark culmen and diffuse dark tip, paler lower mandible



Lores with dark spot

Prominent whitish supercilium, reaching behind rear edge of eye

Upper parts are greyish-brown to darker tawny-brown

Strong buff or yellowish-grey hue breast

Strong buff or yellowish-grey hue on Flanks

Legs are greyish-pink or greyish-brown, toes slightly darker and greyer

Underparts are Off-White

## Syke's Warbler - Identification Tips

**Syke's Warbler : *Iduna rama*:** Breeds in North West India; Wide spread winter visitor in Indian Subcontinent

