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Bearded Reedling. Adult. Male (08-X).

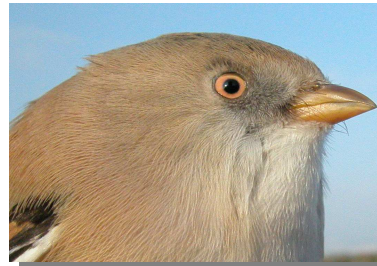
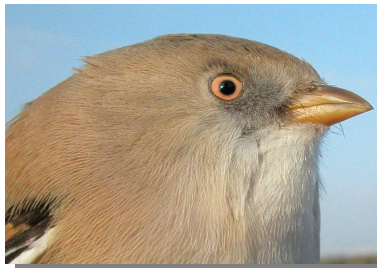
BEARDED REEDLING (*Panurus biarmicus*)

IDENTIFICATION

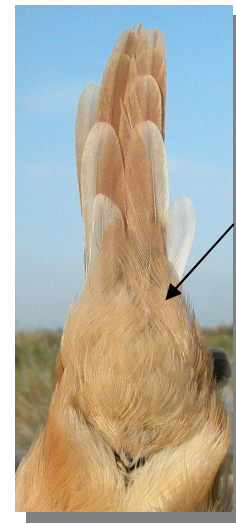
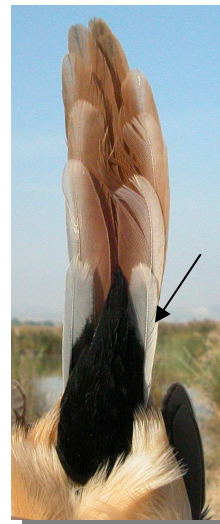
16-17 cm. **Adult** with chesnut upperparts, dark in **juveniles**; underparts pinkish; long tail with light outer feathers; **male** with grey head and a long moustache.



Bearded Reedling. Adult. Pattern of head: top male; bottom female.



Bearded Reedling. Adult. Sexing. Pattern of head: top male; bottom female.



Bearded Reedling. Adult. Sexing. Pattern of undertail coverts: left male; right female.

SIMILAR SPECIES

This species is unmistakable.

SEXING

Adult male with grey head, black moustache and black undertail coverts. **Adult female** with similar upperparts, without black moustache; pale undertail coverts. In old **juveniles**, **male** with bright yellow bill; **female** with dull yellow bill.



Bearded Reedling. Juvenile. Sexing. Colour of bill: top male; bottom female.

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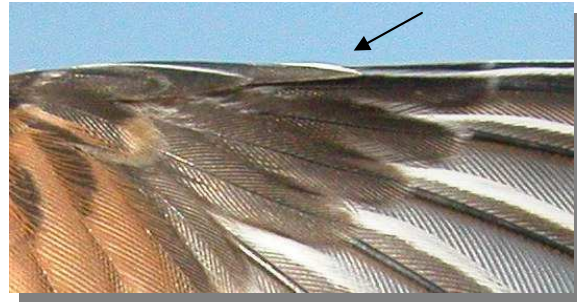
AGEING

2 types of age can be recognized:

Juvenile with dark upperparts; dark outer tail feathers; 10th primary with rounded tip and longer than primary coverts.

Adult without black on upperparts or with only soft streaks in some **females**; all tail feathers similar; 10th primary with pointed tip and the same length than primary coverts.

After the **postbreeding/postjuvenile** moult, ageing is not possible using plumage characters.



Bearded Reedling. Ageing. Length of the 10th primary: top adult; bottom juvenile.



Bearded Reedling. Ageing. Pattern of upperparts: left adult female; right juvenile.

MOUL

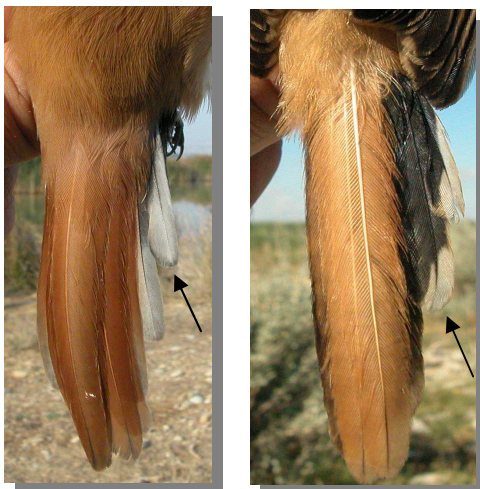
Complete **postbreeding** and **postjuvenile** moult, usually finished late October.

PHENOLOGY

I	II	III	IV	V	VI	VII	VIII	IX	X	XI	XII

STATUS IN ARAGON

Resident species related with Reed fields. Breeds in Cinco Villas and Sariñena.



Bearded Reedling. Ageing. Pattern of the outermost tail feathers: left adult; right juvenile.



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Bearded Reedling. Juvenile. Female (30-VI).



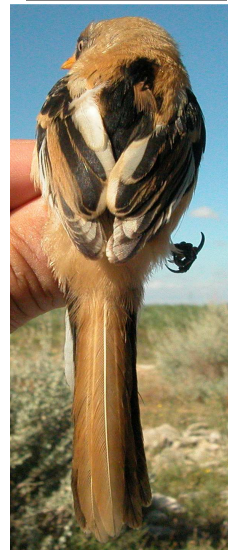
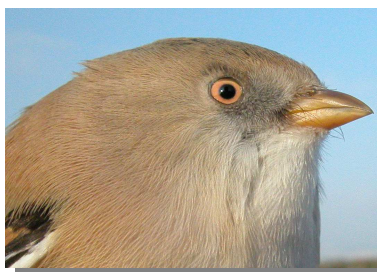
Bearded Reedling. Juvenile. Head pattern and bill colour: top male (08-VII); bottom female (30-VI).



Bearded Reedling. Juvenile. Male (08-VII).

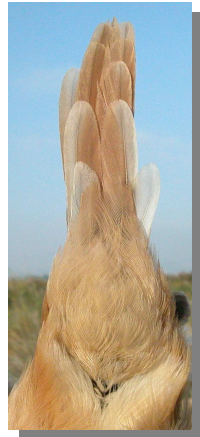
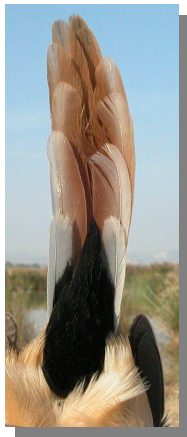


Bearded Reedling. Adult. Head pattern and bill colour: top male (08-X); bottom female (08-X).

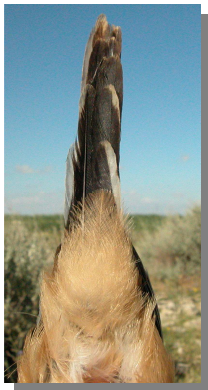


Bearded Reedling. Upperpart pattern: top left adult male (08-X); top right adult female (08-X); left juvenile (08-VII).

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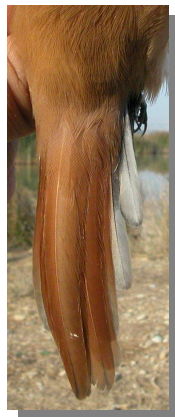
Bearded Reedling. Autumn: pattern of wing (08-X)



Bearded Reedling. Pattern of tail undercoverts: top left adult male (08-X); top right adult female (08-X); left juvenile (08-VII).



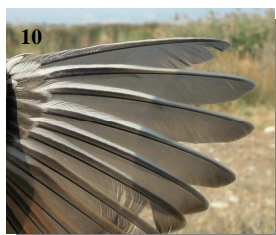
Bearded Reedling. Summer. Adult: : pattern of wing (08-VII)



Bearded Reedling. Tail pattern: left adult (08-X); right juvenile (08-VII)



Bearded Reedling. Summer. Juvenile: pattern of wing (08-VII).



Bearded Reedling. 10th primary length: left adult (08-VII); right juvenile (08-VII)