

smaller bird, and, in the adult dress, of a bluish-grey colour above. The body is slender, the wings and tail long. The legs are long and the tarsi slight. The middle toe is considerably longer than the others, the inner toe being longer than the outer.

1. *Circus hudsonius*.

The Ring-tailed Hawk, Edw. Birds, iii. t. 107¹.

The Marsh Hawk, Edw. Glean. Nat. Hist. ii. t. 291. f. 2².

Falco hudsonius, Linn. Syst. Nat. i. p. 128³.

Circus hudsonius, Vieill. Ois. Am. Sept. t. 9⁴; Sci. P. Z. S. 1857, p. 211⁵; 1859, p. 390⁶; 1864, p. 178⁷; Sci. & Salv. Ibis, 1859, p. 220⁸; P. Z. S. 1864, p. 349⁹; Lawr. Ann. Lyc. N. Y. vii. p. 317¹⁰; ix. p. 134¹¹; Dugès, La Nat. i. p. 138¹²; v. Frantz. J. f. Orn. 1869, p. 370¹³; Salv. P. Z. S. 1870, p. 216¹⁴; Cat. Strickl. Coll. p. 483¹⁵; Sharpe, Cat. Birds Brit. Mus. i. p. 55¹⁶; Gundl. Orn. Cub. p. 45¹⁷; Sumichrast, La Nat. v. p. 235¹⁸; Boucard, P. Z. S. 1883, p. 456¹⁹; Ferrari-Perez, Pr. U. S. Nat. Mus. ix. p. 166²⁰; Herrera, La Nat. (2) i. pp. 176, 320²¹; Cherrie, Auk, 1892, p. 328²²; Fisher, Bull. U. S. Dep. Agr. no. 3, p. 26, t. 3²³; Bendire, Life Hist. N. Am. Birds, i. p. 183²⁴; Richmond, Pr. U. S. Nat. Mus. xvi. p. 521²⁵; Allen, Bull. U. S. Nat. Mus. v. p. 34²⁶; Jouy, Pr. U. S. Nat. Mus. xvi. p. 787²⁷.

Circus cyaneus, var. *hudsonius*, Ridgw. in Baird, Brew., & Ridgw. N. Am. Birds, iii. p. 214²⁸; Lawr. Mem. Bost. Soc. N. H. ii. p. 298²⁹; Bull. U. S. Nat. Mus. no. 4, p. 43³⁰.

Supra cærulescenti-cinereus, uropygio albo: subtus albus, pectore griseo, abdomine toto maculis sparsis sagittiformibus rufis notato; tibiis aut albis aut plus minusve rufo fasciatis; remigibus nigricantibus, subtus ad basin albis; tectricibus et axillaribus vix griseo fasciatis; cauda cinerea, nigricante subterminata, fasciisque sex incompletis transnotata: rostro corneo, pedibus flavis. Long. tota circa 19·0, alæ 13·5, caudæ 9·0, tarsi 3·0. (Descr. maris ex Chapulco, Puebla, Mexico. Mus. nostr.)

♂ *juv.* ♀ similis, sed minor et subtus pallidior.

♀ brunnea, uropygio albo; pileo, cervice postico, scapularibus et tectricibus alarum minoribus fulvo notatis; superciliis et macula infra oculos cervino-albis, faciei disco fusco et fulvo intermixto: subtus fulva, pectore fusco striato; remigibus subtus albidis, cervino tinctis fusco transfasciatis; subalaribus cervinis, fusco maculatis; cauda fusca, rectricibus mediis fasciis pallidis notatis, rectricibus reliquis fasciis latis fulvis et fulvo terminatis: rostro corneo, pedibus flavis. Long. tota circa 20·0, alæ 15·0, caudæ 10·0, tarsi 3·3. (Descr. feminae ex Dueñas, Guatemala. Mus. nostr.)

♀ *juv.* Subtus omnino fusco striata.

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