

AMADINA CASTANOTIS, Gould.

Male.—Fig. 1.

MAS. *Am. corpore supernè cinereo-fusco; alis brunneis; uropygio albo; tectricibus caudæ nigris, albo guttatis; genis castaneo-rufis, lineâ albâ ad basin rostri; pectore griseo, lineis nigris transversim striato; notâ nigrâ in medio pectoris; abdomine albo, crisso ochraceo, lateribus castaneis albo guttatis; rostro aurantiaco; pedibus subflavis.*

FÆM. *Rostro, lineis transversis facialibus, tectricibus caudæ, pedibusque sicut in mare; dorso, plumis auricularibus, alis, caudâ lateribusque fusco-griseis; gulâ et pectore griseis rufo tinctis; abdomine flavescenti-brunneo.*

Long. tot. $4\frac{1}{8}$ unc.; *alæ*, $2\frac{1}{8}$; *caudæ*, $1\frac{1}{2}$; *tarsi*, $1\frac{1}{2}$.

MALE. Crown of the head, nape, and back brownish grey; wings brown; rump white; upper tail-coverts jet black; each feather having three large and conspicuous oval spots of white; tail-feathers blackish brown slightly tinged with white at their tips; cheeks and ear-coverts reddish chestnut separated from the bill by a narrow transverse line of white, which white line is bounded on each side by a still finer line of black; throat and chest grey, the feathers transversely marked with fine lines of black; a small black patch on the middle of the chest; abdomen white; under tail-coverts buffy white; flanks chestnut, each feather marked near the tip with two small oval spots of white; bill orange red; feet light yellowish flesh colour.

FEMALE. Transverse lines on the face, upper tail-coverts, and feet, as in the male; upper surface, ear-coverts, wings, tail, and flanks greyish brown; throat and chest grey slightly tinged with brown; abdomen yellowish brown.

Amadina castanotis, Gould in Proc. of Zool. Soc., Part IV., 1836.

Habitat. Australia: locality, interior of New South Wales.

AMADINA RUFICAUDA, Gould.

Male.—Fig. 2.

MAS. *Am. fronte genisque coccineis, his albo striatis; corpore supernè olivaceo-fusco; tectricibus caudæ caudâque fusco-coccineis, illis guttis pallido-rubris ornatis; gulâ corporeque infernè olivaceis, griseis, albo transversim notatis; abdomine intermedio crissoque flavidè albis; rostro coccineo; pedibus pallidè brunneis.*

FÆM. *Corpore toto cinereo fusco; abdomine intermedio albo; caudâ rufescente-brunneâ.*

Long. tot. $4\frac{1}{4}$ unc.; *alæ*, $2\frac{1}{8}$; *caudæ*, $1\frac{3}{4}$; *tarsi*, $\frac{5}{8}$.

MALE. Face and cheeks scarlet, the latter covered with narrow feathers, which are finely spotted with white at the tip; upper surface and wings olive brown; upper tail-coverts and tail deep crimson brown, the former having a large spot of pinkish white near the tip of each feather; throat, chest, and flanks delicate olive grey, each feather having a large oval white spot transversely disposed near the tip; centre of the abdomen and under tail-coverts dirty yellowish white; bill scarlet; legs fleshy brown.

FEMALE. All the upper surface, cheeks, chest, and flanks uniform greyish brown; centre of the abdomen white; tail-feathers dark brown, the shafts of the centre feathers being strongly tinged with dark crimson brown; bill and legs brown.

Amadina ruficauda, Gould in Proc. of Zool. Soc., Part IV., 1836.

Habitat. Australia: locality, New Holland.

AMADINA MODESTA, Gould.

Male.—Fig. 3.

MAS. *Am. fronte sanguinolentâ; corpore superiore fusco; alis albo-guttatis; uropygio crissoque alternatim striatis lineis albis atque fuscis; rectricibus nigris, duabus lateralibus externis ad apicem albo notatis; gulâ nigrâ; corporis inferiore parte cinereo-albido lineis transversis fuscis striato; abdomine intermedio crissoque albis; rostro nigro; pedibus nigrescentibus.*

Long. tot. $4\frac{1}{2}$ unc.; *alæ*, $2\frac{1}{4}$; *caudæ*, 2; *tarsi*, $\frac{5}{8}$.

MALE. Fore part of the head deep crimson red; nape of the neck, mantle, and back brown; wings brown; tertials (which are very long in this species), together with the greater and lesser quill-feathers, having a spot of white at the tip; rump and upper tail-coverts alternately barred with lines of greyish white and brown; tail-feathers black, the two outer ones on each side tipped with white, transversely barred with lines of brown, which are strongest on the flanks; middle of the abdomen and under tail-coverts white; bill black; feet blackish brown.

Amadina modesta, Gould in Proc. of Zool. Soc., Part IV., 1836.

Habitat. Australia: locality, New Holland.



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1. *Amadina castaneotis*
 2. *ruficauda*
 3. *modesta*



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