ANAS MELANOTOS.

CHARACTER GENERICUS.

Rostrum lamelloso-dentatum, convexum, obtusum.

Lingua ciliata, obtusa.

Lin. Syst. Nat. p. 194.

CHARACTER SPECIFICUS, &c.

ANAS rostro basi gibbo compresso, corpore albo,
capite colloque nigro maculatis, dorso alis
caudaque nigris.

Lath. ind. orn. p. 839.

ANSER MELANOTOS.

Zool. ind. p. 21. t. 11.

ANAS MELANOTOS.

Lin. Syst. Nat. Gmel. p. 503.

Indiæ et insularum Indicarum incola est hæc species, magnitudine fere anserina. A Pennanto in Zoologia Indica primum videtur fuisse descripta.

THE
BLACK-BACKED GOOSE.

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GENERIC CHARACTER.

Bill convex, obtuse ; the edges toothed with numerous lamellæ.

Tongue ciliated, obtuse.

SPECIFIC CHARACTER, &c.

White GOOSE, with black back, the head and neck spotted with black, and the bill furnished with a gibbose compressed callus at the base.

BLACK-BACKED GOOSE.

Lath. syn. 3. p. 449.

L'Oie bronzé.

Buff. ois. 9. p. 77.

Oie de la cote de Coromandel.

Pl. Enl. 937.

This species is a native of India and the Indian islands, and is nearly of the size of a common goose. It seems to have been first described by Mr. Pennant in his Indian Zoology.

Shaw, George. 1800. "The Black-Backed Goose, *Anas melanotos* [Pl. 421]." *The Naturalist's Miscellany* 11(CXXVIII), <https://doi.org/10.5962/p.310868>.

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