CUCULUS AURATUS.

CHARACTER GENERICUS.

Rostrum teretiusculum.

Nares margine prominulæ.

Lingua sagittata, plana, integra.

Pedes scansorii.

Lin. Syst. Nat.

CHARACTER SPECIFICUS, &c.

Cuculus viridi-aureus, subtus albus, capite albo striato, remigibus reatricibusque exterioribus albo maculatis.

Cuculus auratus. C. cauda cuneiformi, corpore supra viridi-aureo subtus albo, capite striis quinque albis, reatricibus duabus extremis latere exteriori omnibus apice albis.

Lath. ind. orn.

Cuculus auratus magnitudine fere alaudæ communis, in Africa generatur interiori. Nomen habet a splendore plumarum : qui tamen plus minusve aureus.

Richd. P. Noddy Sculpt.

THE
GILDED CUCKOW.

GENERIC CHARACTER.

Bill somewhat bending.

Nostrils bounded by a small rim.

Tongue short, sagittated.

Feet scansorial.

SPECIFIC CHARACTER, &c.

Gold-green Cuckow, white beneath ; with the head striped and the exterior quill and tail-feathers spotted with white.

Coucou *vert doré et blanc*.

Buff. ois. 6. p. 385.

Coucou *verd* du Cap de bonne-Esperance.

Pl. Enl. 657.

Gilded Cuckow.

Lath. syn.

This beautiful bird is about the size of a Lark, and is an inhabitant of the lower parts of Africa. In its colours it occasionally varies, exhibiting more or less of the golden brilliancy of plumage from which it derives its name.

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