on the abdomen and under tail-coverts, the lower abdomen being uniform yellowish; axillaries pale greenish on the abdomen and under tail-coverts, the lower abdomen being uniform yellowish; axillaries pale greenish barred with dusky; under wing-coverts yellow, barred with dusky brown; quills dusky below, bright yellow at the base and on the inner web: "bill dark horn-colour; feet yellowish white, tinged with olive; irides of a deeper blue than in the male, and with only an indication of the red ring" (Gould). Total length 12 inches, culmen 1.3, wing 6.2, tail 4.6, tarsus 1.7.

Young male. Resembles the female at first, but is generally to be distinguished by a few purplish-black feathers appearing on the head and back or on the quills. The body-plumes appear to be acquired by a direct moult; but the quills and tail-feathers become black by a change in the colour of the feather itself.

The figures in the Plate represent an adult male and female of the size of life, with an illustration of a bower.