

Crown of the head and nape bluish green, bordered over the upper mandible and along the lores with buff, and above the eyes with bright verditer; back of the neck, back, and scapularies olive green; lower part of the back deep blue, each feather tipped with verditer blue; upper tail-coverts verditer blue; lesser wing-coverts deep blue; greater coverts of the primaries and spurious wing bright verditer blue; coverts of the secondaries dull greenish blue, becoming of a purer blue at the base; primaries deep rich blue, crossed towards the tip with a broad band of verditer blue, which is brightest on the external web, beyond this the tip is blue, shading into dull black at the extremity, shafts black; secondaries deep blue, with a band of verditer blue on the middle of the outer web only; tertiaries olive green; lores and throat purplish brown, passing into fawn-colour on the breast; the darker feathers of the sides and base of throat have a stripe of buff, and those in the centre of the throat a line of bright blue down the shaft; under wing-coverts deep blue; lower part of the abdomen greenish blue, passing into the dull verditer blue of the vent and under tail-coverts; two middle tail-feathers dull green; the remainder deep blue, largely tipped with pale verditer blue; shafts black; bill black; legs and feet dusky yellow; irides reddish-brown.

The sexes present no appreciable difference in their colouring

The figure of this fine species is of the size of life.