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## NYCTIBIUS PECTORALIS, Gould.

Nyct. alis caudâque haud albo fasciatis; fronte nigrescenti-fusco; plumis nonnullis, et præcipuè cistulis superciliaribus badio alboque terminatis; nuchâ dorsoque cinerescenti-fuscis, lineis nigris ornatis; scapularibus cinereo, fusco, nigroque pictis; humeris intensè fuscis; vittâ nigrâ a mandibulâ inferiore ad plumas auriculares excurrente; gulâ, corporeque subtùs cinereo brunneoque pictis, pectore nigro largè notato; abdomineque nigro irregularitèr fasciato; primariis intùs fuscis, irregularitèr brunneo fasciatis notatisque, externè cinereo fuscoque fasciatis. Caudâ fuscâ, nigrescente et cinereo intermixtis transversim fasciatâ; rostro pedibusque nigrescentibus.

Long. tot. 12½ unc.; rostri, 1½; alæ, 9¾; caudæ, 7½; tarsi, 1½

Wings and tail without any large white bar; forehead blackish-brown, some of the feathers slightly tipped with buff and white, particularly those of the elevated tufts which arise before each eye; back of the neck and back greyish brown, each feather with a fine black mark down the centre; scapularies mingled grey, brown and black, the latter colour in large patches and occupying the tips of the feather; upper surface of the shoulder deep blackish brown; under-surface the same, spotted with white; a black mark or band passes beneath the under mandible and ends at the ear-coverts; throat and all the under-surface finely mottled with light gray and light brown; the chest having large blotches of black running down the middle, and a crescent-shaped irregular band of the same crossing the upper part of the abdomen; primaries brown on their inner webs with obscure, indistinct blotches and irregular bands of lighter brown, their external webs obscurely banded with light grey and brown; all the tail-feathers brown, crossed with obscure, broad, arrowheaded, mottled bars of blackish brown and grey; bill and feet blackish brown.

Nyctibius pectoralis, Gould, in Proc. of Zool. Soc. Part VI. 1838.

This species inhabits the northern parts of Brazil. It is nearly allied to Caprimulgus Jamaicensis, but is much less in all its admeasurements; it is also allied to, but differs from the Caprimulgus longicaudatus of Spix.

The figures are of the natural size.