latter colour being richest, and predominating on the abdomen, lower part of the back, and upper tail-coverts; wings very dark or blackish brown, the coverts largely tipped with white, forming two conspicuous bands across the shoulder, whence the specific name; a few of the tertiaries are also tipped with white; tail very dark or blackish brown; primaries and tail-feathers very narrowly margined with yellowish white; bill brownish horn-colour; feet purplish brown; irides dark brown.

The female has the forehead, face, and throat grey; crown of the head mottled grey and pale brimstone-yellow, which latter colour predominates on the lower part of the back, whence it becomes almost pure yellow; under surface grey, washed with brimstone-yellow on the breast, upper part of the abdomen, and flanks; lower part of the flanks streaked with brown; wings and tail as in the male, but more conspicuously margined; upper tail-coverts tipped with white; bill, feet, and irides as in the male.

The Plate represents a male and a female of the size of life.