

exception of the two middle ones, which are black only at their extremity.

This pheasant, or this bird approaching to a pheasant, is eighteen inches in length, measuring from the tip of the beak to that of the tail. It has a thick and yellow beak, and a tuft of long feathers, which are brown, and edged with white.

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ALL the birds, observes Guenau de Montbeillard, which have usually been designated under this denomination, taken in a generic acceptation, are strangers to Europe, and belong to the hot climates of America; the various names which the different savage tribes have given them, each according to his own jargon, have, like the multiplied phrases of our nomenclators, contributed only to enlarge the list; and it shall be here attempted, as far as the dearth of accurate data will permit, to reduce these *nominal* to *real* species.