

has some whitish stripes edged with black. The beak is blackish. The iris and the feet are red. A strong spur distinguishes the male.

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#### THE PARTRIDGE OF GINGI.

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THIS species of partridge, which is smaller than our grey partridge of Europe, inhabits the countries on the coast of Coromandel, near Gingi, where Sonnerat met with it. Its race, no doubt, extends farther into Southern Asia. We have no details as to its manners; and though we ought to praise the zeal of those travellers who combine a knowledge of natural history, yet we think they should never confine themselves simply to a bare description of an animal, unless they are absolutely unable to furnish any details on its mode of life. This part is, in fact, one of the most agreeable in natural history, and we should strive rather to render the science interesting, than to reduce it to a bare and sterile nomenclature. What we admire in animals is not