

inferior covert feathers of the tail, which are also of a brilliant red. The tail, which is slightly rounded at its extremity, is of a blackish brown, the same as the beak, the feet, and the claws: the eyes have their iris yellow.

*Dimensions.* Total length, eight inches; the beak ten lines and a half: the feet, thirteen lines; the middle toe, ten lines; the lateral toes are somewhat shorter; the hind toe is seven lines: the breadth of the wings, from tip to tip, when extended, eight inches; length of the tail, three inches; the wings, when folded, do not exceed the point of the insertion of the tail more than an inch.

The chief food of this bird is berries: it perches upon the top of the loftiest trees; its voice is strong and sonorous; its whistling noise is heard at a great distance, and which has some affinity with the note of the European quail. It is only at those moments, when he deafens himself by his own clamours, that he can be approached, being naturally timid and distrustful.