

COLLARED SPARROWHAWK



• *Collared Sparrowhawk (immature female).*

Photo: S. G. Lane

Collared Sparrowhawk *Accipiter cirrocephalus*

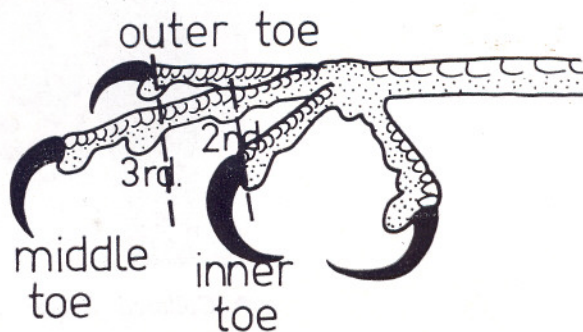
As explained under the Brown Goshawk, the female Sparrowhawk is easily confused with the male Goshawk. Comparable distinguishing characters for the Sparrowhawk follow.

Tail: Square (a good field character).

Tarsus: Narrow.

Middle toe: Slender, third joint beyond base of claw of outer toe.

Inner toe: Base of claw level with second joint of middle toe.

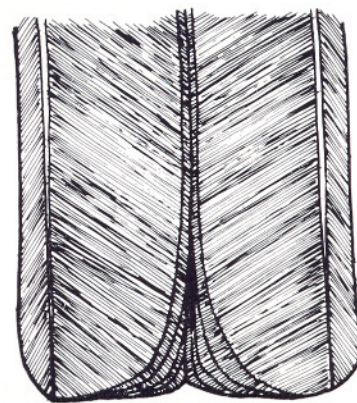


Measurements

	FEMALE	MALE
<i>Total length:</i>	355-381 mm	299-330 mm
<i>Tail:</i>	166-182 mm	147-156 mm
<i>Wing:</i>	230-248 mm	195-219 mm

Males and females are readily separated on size.

NOTE: *The illustrations are life size from dried museum skins, so that the tarsus and toes may be slightly larger in live birds.*



undertail

Drawings by D. Milledge