

CUCULUS DUMETORUM. *Cuc. capite, uropygio, colloque saturatè cæruleo-griseis; alis, caudâ dorsoque metallicè brunneis; apicibus remigum leviter albis; pogoniis interioribus serie macularum triangularium parvarum ornatis; pectore griseo, rufo-tincto.*

Head, neck and rump dark slate-grey; back, wings and tail bronzy brown; tail-feathers slightly tipped with white and with a row of small triangular-shaped spots on the margins of their inner webs; breast grey, washed with rufous; under surface of the shoulder, flanks, vent and under tail-coverts deep rufous; irides brown.

Total length,  $8\frac{1}{2}$  inches; bill,  $\frac{7}{8}$ ; wing, 5; tail,  $4\frac{1}{2}$ ; tarsi,  $\frac{1}{2}$ .

*Hab.* Port Essington, Australia.

*Remark.*—Nearly allied to *Cuculus insperatus*.