

HALCYON PYRRHOPYGIA. *Hal. plumis capitis viridibus, angustè albo marginatis; humeris tectricibusque alarum majoribus cæruleis, uropygio, tectricibusque caudæ flavescenti-rubris.*

Crown of the head dull green, intermingled with white, giving it a striated appearance; a broad black stripe commences at the base of the bill, passes through the eye, and encircles the back of the head; upper part of the back and scapularies green; remainder of the wings bluish green; lower part of the back, rump, and upper tail coverts red; tail green, tinged with blue; throat, a broad collar encircling the back of the neck, and all the under surface white; bill black, the base of the lower mandible flesh white; irides blackish brown; feet dark olive brown.

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

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