

the largest of the three. Its head and upper neck are dark, the sides of the neck with a long white stripe, a wide dark line on back of neck; throat, breast and underparts, white. The female is without the white markings of the male, and the long tail feathers are also wanting.

The blue-winged teal has much blue on the wings, the rest of the body variously marked with darker colors. The female has the same wing mark, but differs in the colors of other parts.

The green-winged teal has no blue on the wings. The speculum is rich green. There are broad bands of green on each side of the head.

The black duck scarcely needs a description more than this : that it is dusky and not black as the name indicates.

DESCRIPTIVE SUMMARY.

FISH DUCKS : bill cylindrical.

American Merganser : crest small or none ; breast, salmon-colored ; nostrils at middle of bill.

Redbreasted crest long Merganser : breast reddish ; nostrils near base of bill.

SEADUCKS : bill flattened, hind toes lobed.

Bufflehead : head puffy, white ear patches ; white underneath ; speculum, none.

Long-Tailed Duck : dark patch on each side of head ; white below ; speculum, white

Golden-Eye : head glossy green, white below ; speculum, white.

RIVER DUCKS : bill flattened, no lobe on hind toe.

Pintail : white stripe on each side of neck ; white beneath ; speculum, greenish purple.

Blue-winged Teal : white spot before eye ; dark colored, much blue on wing ; speculum, green.

Green-winged Teal : green band on head ; breast spotted with black ; speculum, black and green.

Black Duck : dusky above ; lighter beneath ; speculum, violet and black.