

ORDER II. PIES.

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GENUS XXVIII.—JACAMAR.

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| 1 Green J. | | A Var. | | 4 Paradise J. |
| A Long-tailed green J. | | 3 Rufous-tailed J. | | 5 White-billed J. |
| 2 Great J. | | | | |

THE bill is long, strait, sharp-pointed, quadrangular* for the most part.

Nostrils oval, placed near the base.

Tongue short, pointed.

Legs feathered before as far as the toes, which are situated two forwards, and two behind.

This Genus is much allied to the Kingsfisher, but the toes are differently placed. The food of the Jacamar is by no means the same, as it frequents moist woods, and feeds on insects alone, whilst the Kingsfisher, in general, inhabits streams of water, and has a peculiar address in taking the young fry of fishes, on which it feeds. We are not further acquainted with the manners and œconomy of the Genus here treated of; and in respect to the nest and eggs, we believe that nothing is known concerning them.

* See a transverse Section at the bottom of the Plate.