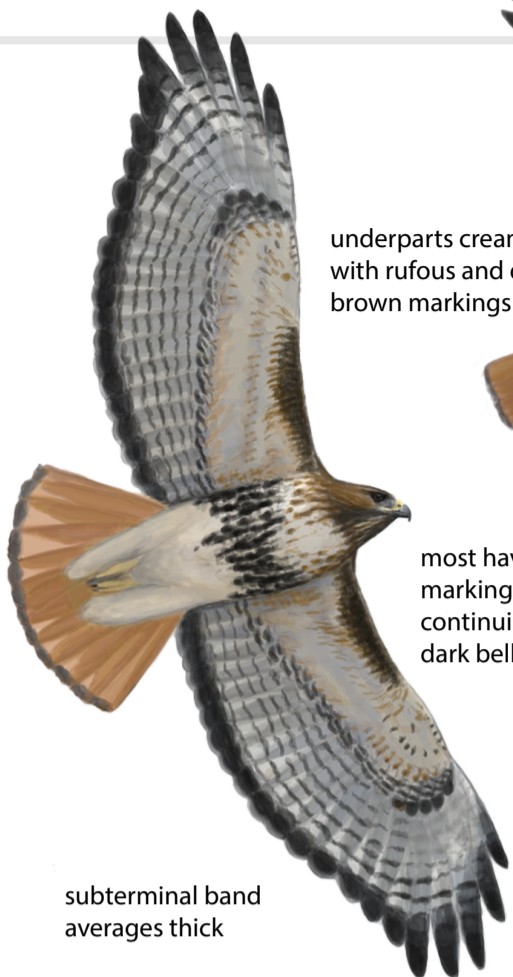


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ADULT

light

back generally dark brown with rusty highlights; averages less white than *borealis*



underparts cream with rufous and dark brown markings

most have rusty markings on collar continuing into heavy dark bellyband

subterminal band averages thick

tail dark rust red



dark

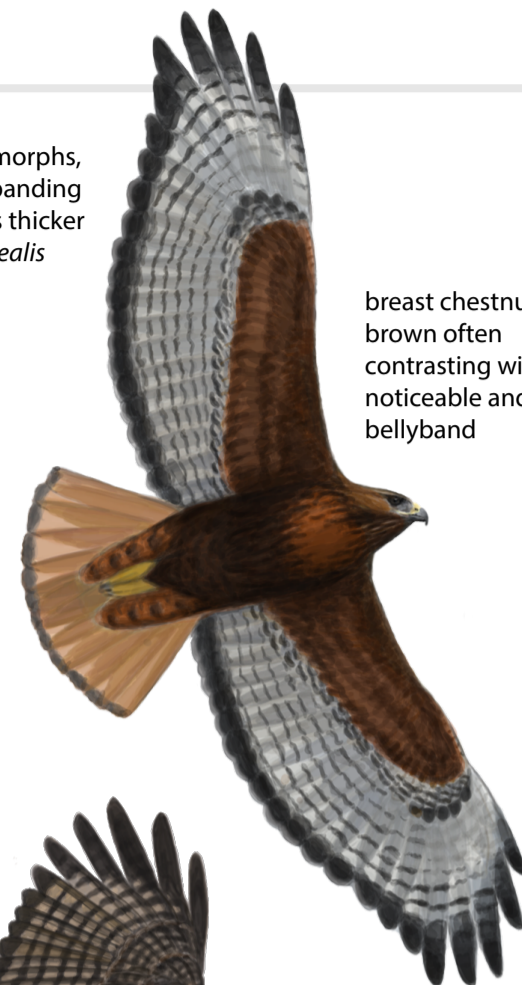
can be lightly marked, more study needed

deep brown patagial markings



topside dark and solid

in both morphs, remige banding averages thicker than *borealis*

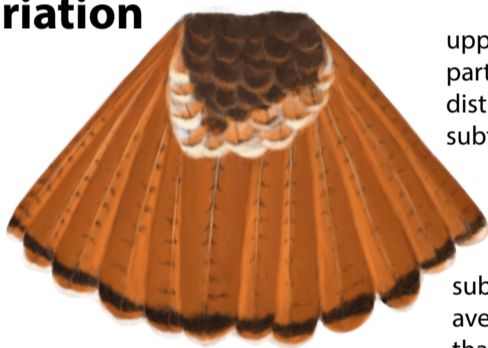


breast chestnut brown often contrasting with a noticeable and dark bellyband



tail varies, but many have barring centered around the rachis most prominent at tail base

tail variation



uppertail covers partly rufous with distinct black subterminal band

subterminal band averages thicker than *borealis*



can have extensive barring throughout tail



thick subterminal band on uppertail covers is key for distinguishing from dark *calurus*



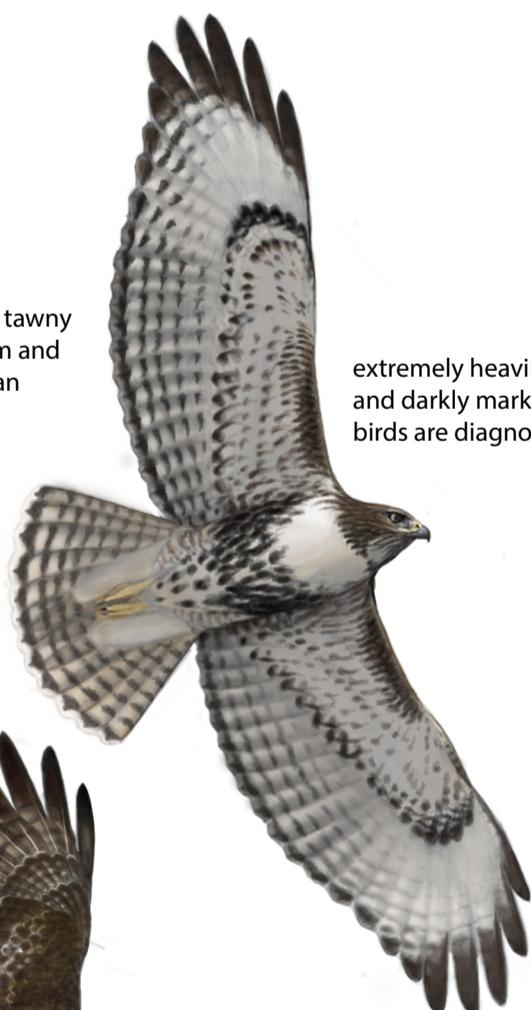
JUVENILE

light

more study needed for differentiating from *borealis*



less pale and tawny in supercilium and auriculars than *borealis*



extremely heavily and darkly marked birds are diagnostic



deep dark brown on topside

dark

like adult, averages more richly rufous than *calurus* and *harlani*



some have paler rusty streaks on breast



dark tips in the outer primaries



lacks spike in tail tip of juvenile *harlani*