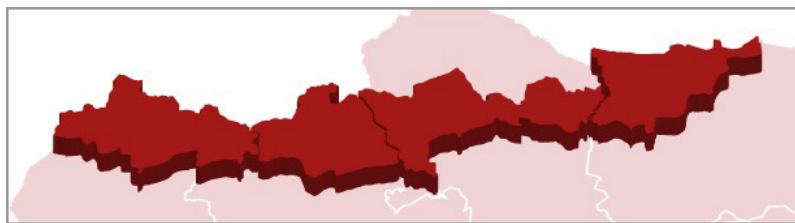


## Wood Pigeon

*Columba palumbus*



### SEASONAL BEHAVIOUR

Seen all year but numbers increase from October to March.

### DISTRIBUTION

Well distributed throughout. Perhaps more numerous in the pinewoods of Córdoba and eastern Jaén. Smallish winter roosts build up in all four provinces.

### COMMENTS

In recent decades the number of wintering Wood Pigeons in Sierra Morena has plummeted. Middleaged locals remember vast flocks "that even darkened the sky". Their summer numbers, in contrast, have risen; many more now breed than before, even in areas of open country and pastureland where they were seldom seen previously.

### THREAT CATEGORY

CNEA	CAEA	LRAE	LRVA
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### WHERE TO SEE IT

HUELVA	SEVILLA	CÓRDOBA	JAÉN
H-1	SE-1	CO-1	J-1
H-2	SE-2	CO-2	J-2
H-3	SE-3	CO-3	J-3
H-4	SE-4	CO-4	J-4
H-5	SE-5	CO-5	J-5
H-6	SE-6	CO-6	J-6
H-7	SE-7	CO-7	J-7
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H-12	SE-12	CO-12	J-12
H-13	SE-13	CO-13	J-13
H-14	SE-14	CO-14	J-14
H-15	SE-15	CO-15	J-15
H-16			
H-17			

### STATUS

Sedentary, with input of wintering birds.

### ABUNDANCE

Common.

### HABITAT

Woodland of all types, ranging from pinewoods, Eucalyptus copses and denser Mediterranean woodland to open *dehesas*, scrubland and pastureland with scattered trees.