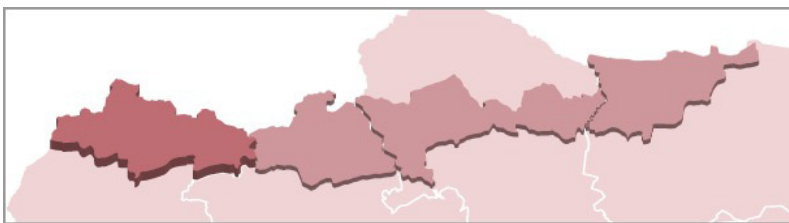


Woodcock

Scolopax rusticola



SEASONAL BEHAVIOUR

Seen above all from November to March.

DISTRIBUTION

Only a few records each year and the same sites tend to repeat annually. Most records come from Sierra de Aracena y Picos de Aroche, but it probably also winters in low numbers in Sevilla, Córdoba and Jaén.

COMMENTS

This is a well-camouflaged, skulking and nocturnal species so numbers might well be underestimated. It is scarce but probably not as rare as the few records might suggest.

THREAT CATEGORY

| CNEA | CAEA | LRAE | LRVA |
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WHERE TO SEE IT

| HUELVA | SEVILLA | CÓRDOBA | JAÉN |
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| H-1 | SE-1 | CO-1 | J-1 |
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| H-15 | SE-15 | CO-15 | J-15 |
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STATUS

Winter visitor.

ABUNDANCE

Scarce.

HABITAT

Takes to a great variety of habitat with good cover and soft soil for probing in. Normally turns up on rivers and streams with riparian woodland or thickets of Oleander, bramble and Tamujo; also in scrubland, pastureland, Sweet-Chestnut woods, Cork-Oak woods, *dehesas*, pinewoods, Eucalyptus woods and *Cistus* scrub. May even be flushed from wayside puddles along little transited roads and paths.