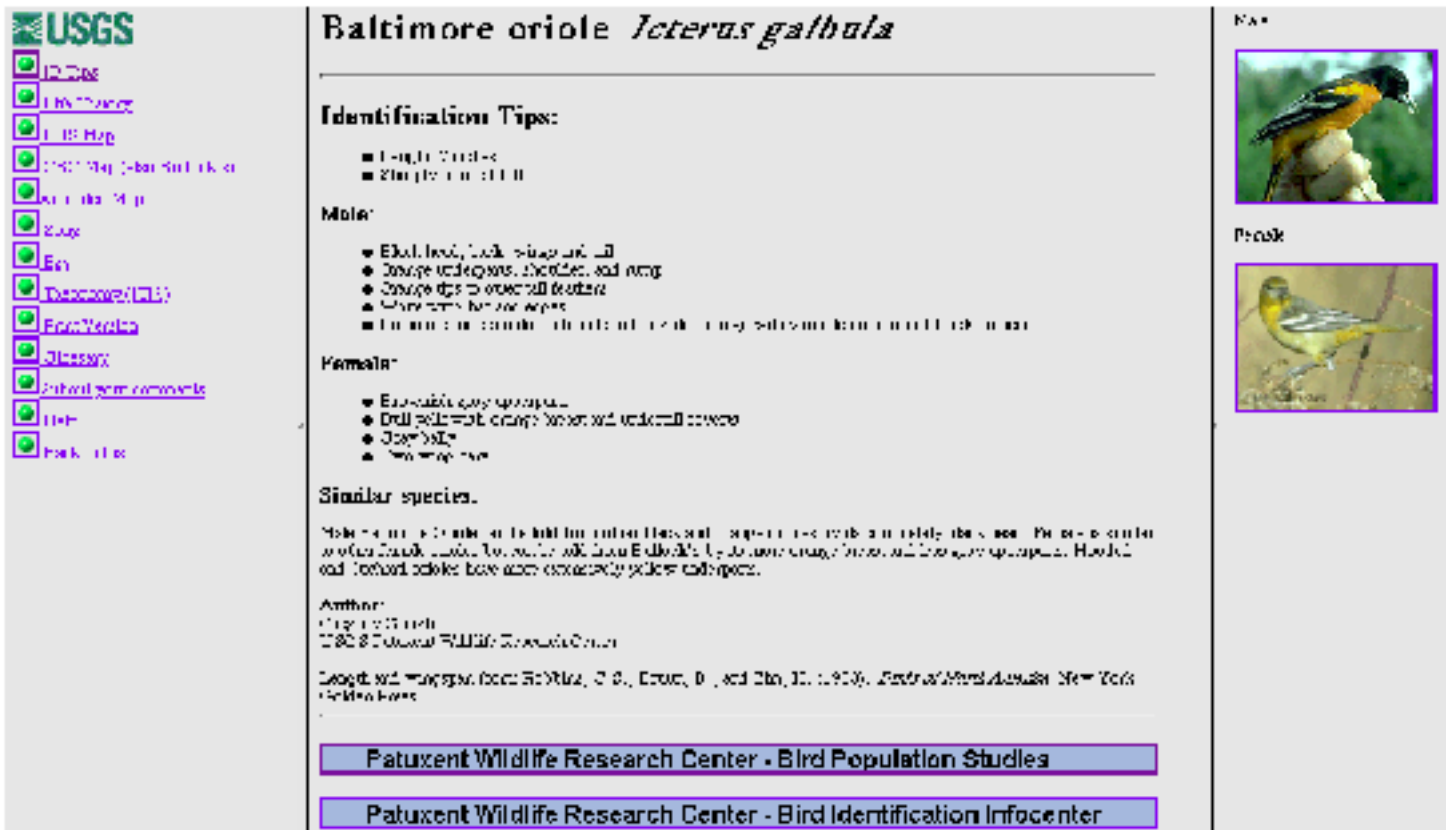


**Patuxent Wildlife Research Center
Patuxent Bird Identification InfoCenter**

As a supplement to our population dynamics information on birds, Patuxent investigators have prepared an extensive archive of information on bird identification, distribution, and life history.

Patuxent provides summary information over the internet for about 700 species in North America: identification tips; where the species are found (based on the North American Breeding Bird Survey and the Christmas Bird Count); pictures and songs contributed by scientists, naturalists, and other bird watchers; data on the size, food habits, reproduction, and habitat use of the species; and pictures of eggs of selected species and links to the Integrated Taxonomic Information System (ITIS) are offered for those who want to know more about the taxonomy of the species.

Here, for example, are identification tips for Baltimore Orioles, with links to other data available for the species:



The screenshot shows a web page for the Baltimore Oriole (*Icterus galbula*). On the left is a navigation menu with links like Home, About Us, and Species Accounts. The main content area includes:

- Identification Tips:**
 - Length 17-21 cm
 - Weight 10-14 g
- Male:**
 - Black head, back, wings and tail
 - Orange underparts, throat and wing
 - Orange tips to outer tail feathers
 - Chestnut breast and wings
 - In autumn, the female's throat and breast are yellow, the male's throat and breast are black.
- Female:**
 - Entirely grey or olive
 - Dull yellowish orange throat and under tail coverts
 - Olive-buff
 - Yellow wing tips
- Similar species:**

Note the male's distinctive black bill for males. The male's throat and breast are black. The female's throat and breast are yellowish orange. Hooded and Orchard Orioles have much more extensively yellow throats.
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At the bottom of the page, there are two buttons: "Patuxent Wildlife Research Center - Bird Population Studies" and "Patuxent Wildlife Research Center - Bird Identification InfoCenter".

Print versions of the species accounts are also linked to the InfoCenter. The Bird Identification InfoCenter can be reached through the Patuxent Wildlife Research Center Web Site:

<http://www.pwrc.usgs.gov> Then click on "Patuxent Bird ID InfoCenter"