

Cormorants PHALACROCORACIDAE– Dissections and biometrics

Species: SHAG / GR CORMORANT / 0800 0720		Coll number:		Collected parts:	Collected by:									
Date:	200....	Where found:												
Sex: ♂ / ♀ / ?	Plumage:													
Condition corpse:	<input type="checkbox"/> Very Fresh – <input type="checkbox"/> Fresh – <input type="checkbox"/> Rather Fresh – <input type="checkbox"/> Rather Old – <input type="checkbox"/> Old – <input type="checkbox"/> Very Old													
Oiled: yes / no / unclear	% covered, oiled parts:													
Remarks:														
biometrics			accuracy											
Bill length:	tip-feathers	0.1mm												
Bill depth:	base	min*		gonys										
Head length:		mm												
Tarsus length:	L	R		0.5mm										
Wing length:	L*	R*		mm										
Tail length:		mm												
Clean mass:		g												
Total length		mm Introduced by Koffijberg & Van Eerden for <i>sinensis</i> sex discriminant												
Sternum:		mm												
		measured by:												
moult score														
primaries L:	10	9	8	7	6	5	4	3	2	1				
primaries R:	10	9	8	7	6	5	4	3	2	1				
secondaries:	left					right								
tail: (Shag 12, Gr Cormorant 14)	7	6	5	4	3	2	1	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
contour feathers:														
breeding patch:	<input type="checkbox"/> present, <input type="checkbox"/> absent, notes:													
remarks:														
internal study														
subcutaneous fat:	0	1	2	3	remarks:									
deposited fat:	0	1	2	3	remarks:									
breast muscle:	0	1	2	3	remarks:									
guts:	0	1	2	3	colour:	remarks:								
kidneys:	0	1	2	3	colour:	remarks:								
liver:	0	1	2	3	colour:	remarks:								
lungs:	0	1	2	3	colour:	remarks:								
sex and age:														
♂ testis: × mm		descr.: long thin / long thick / short round //												
♀ oviduct: 1 2 3 4		foll. max:		mm Ø / not structured										
bursa Fabricii:	+	-	?	size: × mm	descr: large / mod. / small									
stomach	colour gizzard:				worms: yes / no remarks:									
	colour proventr:													
stomach contents:														
						bl: yes / no								
Notes:														
						Proximate cause of death:								

For sex discriminant European Shag	→ wing and bill depth minimum (cf. Calvo & Bolton 1997)
For sex discriminant Great Cormorant <i>sinensis</i>	→ total length, wing, bill depth at base (cf. Koffijberg & Van Eerden 1995)