brown colour, which becomes lighter and more intermingled with red on the under parts, which are also spotted with long black marks. The abdomen is variegated with black and white; the colour deepening towards the anus. The large quill feathers of the wings are of an earthy colour; the others are variegated with black and white, the extremities being black. The tail is of a deep red colour, which is terminated by a black band; the under part is of a greyish red. The feet are yellowish. The female, which is larger than the male, is of a dark brown colour.

To this species may be added that which Levaillant has described under the title of rougri, because their characters are the same and their manners similar. This last however is not so large nor so powerful as the preceding one: it is also more wild and more fearful, while the former is so familiar that it may be regarded as domesticated. The rougri inhabits only deserts.

The female of the rougri never lays more than four eggs; the species is also more rare than the jackal buzzard: its form is more dense, its tail longer, and its beak not so strong. Like the latter however, the male and female always