



# Indian Scops Owl

FEMALE

*Otus bakkamoena*

April 2003

## “Midge”

*Always lets you know she's there.*

SECURE

### DESCRIPTION & IDENTIFICATION

The Indian Scops Owl is medium brown in colour with darker brown flecks, the under parts are a creamy buff colour. For it's size, this owl has exceptionally large eyes. Prominent “ear” tufts.

### HABITAT & LOCATION

As the name suggests, this owl originated in India. Now the Indian Scops Owl can be found further west into the Middle-East. Primarily inhabit light wooded environments, and along the edges of forests, preferring to nest in the hollow of a tree.

### NATURAL DIET

Mainly insects such as cockroaches, grasshoppers etc., but will also feed on small birds, rodents, and even the occasional bat.

### WEIGHTS & DIMENSIONS

**Weight** : 4 oz, (120 g), - 5.3 oz, (150 g).

**Height** : 5” - 9”, (13 cm – 22 cm).