

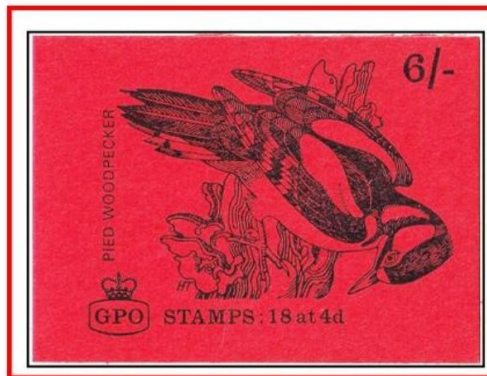
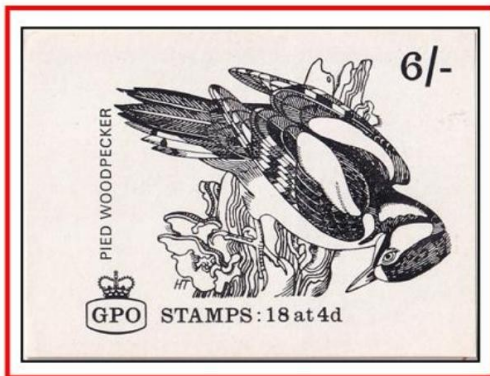
## 6. Extreme Form

**African Grey Woodpecker** (*Dendropicos goertae*)  
**Attribute** - Longest Tongue amongst birds of any bird

## 6.12 Longest Tongue

**Geographical Distribution**-Mature forests of N. Palearctic Region

EXTREME BIRDS



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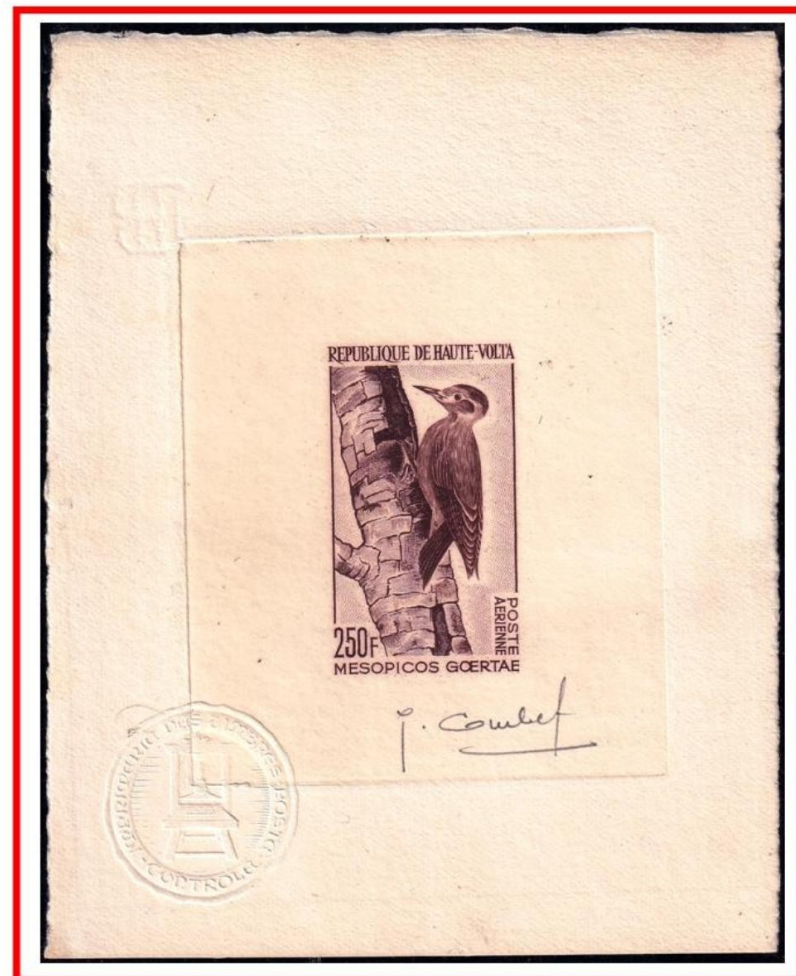
They have super long tongues, and are usually about twice the length of their bill so that they can reach for insects inside the holes they peck out. When not in use, the long tongue curls around the back of the head between the skull and the skin.

Stamps Booklet - Depicts Boreal Owl, Common Redstart, White backed Woodpecker

They don't get headaches. Woodpecker bills help distribute shock throughout the thick skull when pecking. Humans would have plenty of pain hitting their heads against a tree, but they don't have any issues.



Woodpeckers like to make music. In the animal world, and are the only creatures to make a sound with something other than a part of its body. They will drum on a variety of objects to communicate territory, to attract mates, to locate food, or maybe even exercise or play.



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