



Common Name: Acorn Woodpecker
Scientific Name: *Melanerpes formicivorus*

- 9 – 10”
- Year-round
- Red crown, white forehead and throat; black back, wings and tail; streaked white belly
- Cooperative breeder in family groups and if 1 of 2 breeders dies, there is battle of outsiders to replace breeder
- They are farmers and storers, dependent on adequate resources and granary trees – acorns and walnuts
- Helpers are offspring of previous breeding season