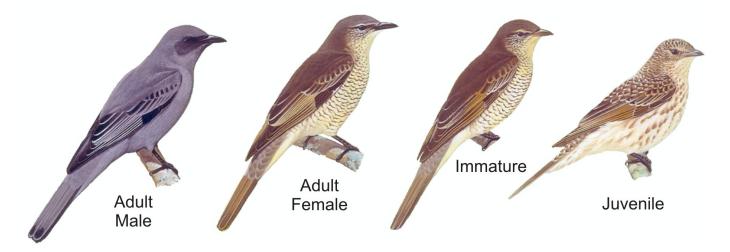
## Common Cicadabird Edolisoma tenuirostris Species No.: 429 Band size: 05 AY



## Morphometrics:

For many years regarded as a cuckoo-shrike within genus *Coracina*, but in 2018 it was separate and placed into reinstated genus *Edolisoma*. About 30 subspecies are recognised throughout the islands of the s-w Pacific, with two subspecies in Australia as follows:

|         | nominate <i>E.t. tenuirostris</i><br>(s-e Qld, NSW and Vic) |                | ssp. <i>E.t. melvillensis</i> |                 |
|---------|---|----------------|-------------------------------|-----------------|
|         |   |                | (WA, NT & northern Qld)       |                 |
|         | Adult Male  | Adult Female   | Adult Male                    | Adult Female    |
| Wing:   | 128 – 140.5 mm  | 126.5 – 131 mm | 119 – 131.5 mm                | 126.5 – 132 mm  |
| Tail    | 95.0 – 111.5 mm   | 93.5 – 104 mm  | 98 – 108 mm                   | 91.5 – 102.5 mm |
| Bill:   | 24.4 – 29.9 mm  | 26.1 – 30.4 mm | 29.7 – 28.9 mm                | 26.8 – 29.0 mm  |
| Tarsus: | 19.2 – 24.3 mm  | 21.4 – 22.8 mm | 20.9 – 23.9 mm                | 21.9 – 22.6 mm  |
| Weight: | 60 – 76 g   | 60 – 69 g      | 65 – 68 g                     | 60 – 69 g       |

## Ageing:

Second Immature is similar to adult female, but the top of the head of immatures is browner than adult female and underside barring is more diffuse;

Immatures also retain some juvenile rufous primaries, secondaries and secondary coverts, also retained greater primary coverts have a whitish or cream-buff tips;

Not known when adult plumage is attained. However, moult from juvenile to first immature occurs soon after fledging and there are at least two immature plumage moults post-breeding seasons, Immatures should be recorded as (2-) and adults (2+).

## Sexing:

Plumage of adult male and female are hugely dimorphic (see illustrations above); Incubation by female only.