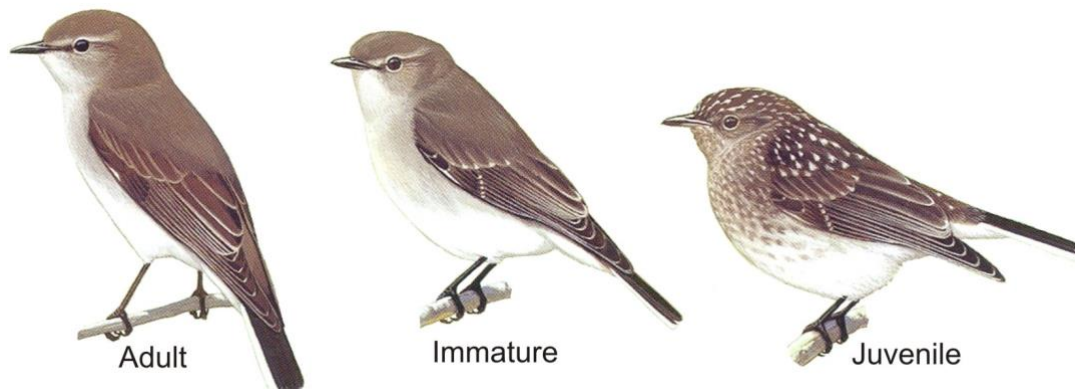


Jacky Winter *Microeca fascinans*

Species No.: 377

Band size: 01 AY



Morphometrics:

Three subspecies recognised in Australia with measurements as follows:

	nominate <i>M.f. fascinans</i> (e. & s. Qld, NSW, s. & e Vic, n-e SA)		ssp. <i>M.f. assimilis</i> (n-w Vic, s-e & w. SA, s. NT and s-w WA)	
	Adult Male	Adult Female	Adult Male	Adult Female
Wing:	84 – 96mm	84 - 92 mm	84 – 92 mm	81 – 89 mm
Tail:	53 – 62 mm	53 – 61 mm	51 – 61 mm	51 – 58 mm
Bill:	13.0 – 14.5 mm	13.2 – 14.1 mm	12.2 – 14.6 mm	12.8 – 13.9 mm
THL:	29.7 – 32.5 mm			
Tarsus:	15.1 – 19.0 mm	15.8 -17.8 mm	13.7 – 16.0 mm	14.7 – 16.3 mm
Weight:	14 – 17 g	14 – 17 .5 g	14.0 – 17.0 g	14.0 – 17.5 g

	ssp. <i>M.f. pallida</i> (n-e WA, n. NT and n-w Qld)	
	Adult Male	Adult Female
Wing:	77 – 91 mm	75 – 87 mm
Tail:	45 – 57 mm	47 – 57 mm
Bill:	12.5 – 14.4 mm	11.7 – 14.1 mm
Tarsus:	14.6 – 16.5 mm	14.4 – 16.5 mm
Weight:	6.8 – 15.0 g	10.0 – 17.5 g

Ageing:

Moult from Juvenile to adult-like plumaged first Immature within 2 to 3 months of fledging;
 Moult to Adult occurs at beginning of second year coinciding with post-breeding season moult of adults. Hence Immatures either (1) or (2-) and Adults (2+);
 Adults can be separated from Immatures on the following characteristics:

	Adult (2+)	Immature (1) or (2-)
Bill:	black;	upper mandible – black, lower mandible pink with dark tip;
Palate:	grey;	orange-yellow;
Gape:	dark grey;	off-white;
Eyebrow:	white;	creamish or indistinct;
Coverts:	dark olive-brown with diffuse light grey-brown fringes to tips;	white tips;
Underparts:	white with grey/buff wash on breast;	breast white speckled dark grey;

Sexing :

Not sexually dimorphic on plumage or measurements;
 Males marginally larger than females;
 Sexable on cloaca in breeding season;
 Only the female incubates.