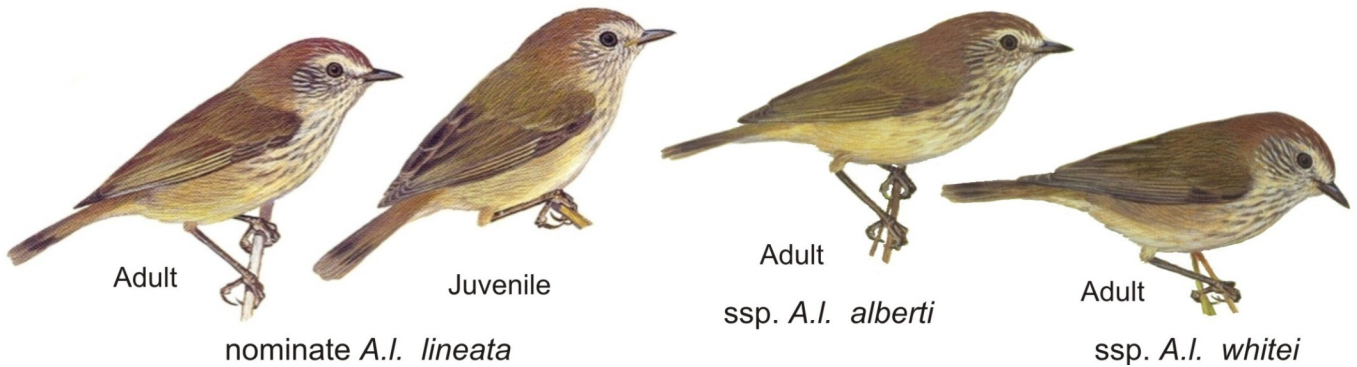


Striated Thornbill *Acanthiza lineata* Species No.: 470 Band Size: 01 AY



Status:

Four subspecies recognised (three illustrated): nominate *A.I. lineata* (s-e Aust.); ssp. *A.I. clelandi* (s-w Vic & s-e SA); ssp. *A.I. alberti* (Qld) & ssp. *A.I. whitei* (Kangaroo Is.)

Morphometrics:

Size difference between subspecies is insignificant. The measurements below are for the nominate:

	Adult Male	Adult Female
Wing:	48 -56 mm	49 – 56 mm
Tail:	36 – 44 mm	35 – 45 mm
THL:	24.7 – 25.7 mm	
Bill:	9.3 – 11.4 mm	9.0 – 11.1 mm
Tarsus:	15.5 – 19.1 mm	16.2 – 19.2 mm
Weight:	5 – 12 g	5 – 10 g

Ageing:

	Adult (1+)	Immature/Juvenile (1)
Bill:	black;	black with pale base to lower mandible;
Gape:	grey;	buff / yellow;
Eye:	whitish but varies to olive;	brown or grey;
Upper forehead, crown & nape	tan-brown grading to paler brown or greyish olive on nape & finely streaked white;	dull tan-brown, grading to light brownish nape and hindneck & lacking olive tinge;
Breast:	off-white tinged pale yellow & with bold black-brown streaks;	off-white with varying cream-yellow tinge diffusely flecked or mottled dark brown;

Sexing:

Not size or plumage dimorphic;
 Can be sexed on cloaca/tubules/presence or absence of a brood patch during the breeding season;
 Only females develop brood patch.