

## STRIATED THORNBILL



• *Striated Thornbill at nest.*

Photo: J. D. Waterhouse

## Striated Thornbill *Acanthiza lineata*

Although this species and the Brown Thornbill *A. pusilla* have different calls and field habits they appear similar in the hand, being brown with lighter underparts striped black; they are similar in size.

### Adult

*Crown:* Brown with narrow streaks formed by white shafts of crown feathers.

*Iris:* Dark grey.

*Bill:* Black



ADULT

### Sub-adult

Similar to adult.

### Juvenile

Similar to adult, but throat and breast markings indistinctly mottled rather than striped.

*Iris:* Light grey  
*Bill:* Dark grey



JUVENILE

### DIAGNOSTIC CHARACTER

The narrow lateral streaks on the crown separate this species from the Brown Thornbill.

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