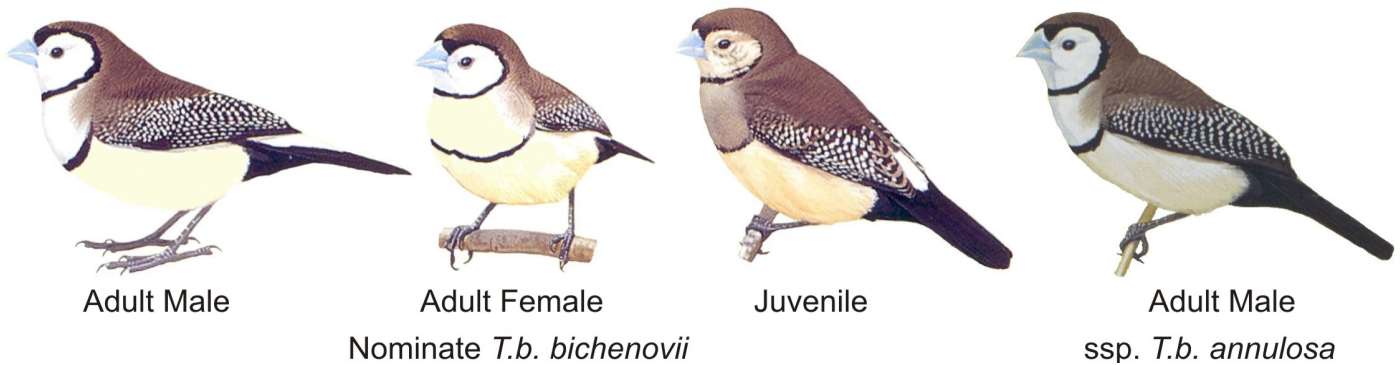


Double-barred Finch *Taeniopygia bichenovii* **Species No.:** 655 **Band Size:** 01 AY



Morphometrics:

Two subspecies as follows:

	Nominate <i>T.b. bichenovii</i> (white rump) (coastal & sub-coastal e. Aust to to s.e Gulf of Carpentaria)		ssp. <i>T.b. annulosa</i> (black rump) n-w. & n. coastal & sub-coastal Aust to s. Gulf of Carpentaria)	
	Adult Male	Adult Female	Adult Male	Adult Female
Wing:	48 - 55 mm	50 - 54 mm	47 - 53 mm	47 - 52 mm
Tail:	41 - 50 mm	40 - 45 mm	40 - 49 mm	41 - 51 mm
Bill:	9.4 - 11.1 mm	9.2 - 11.4 mm	9.7 - 10.8 mm	9.4 - 11.8 mm
THL:	22 - 27 mm		21.1 - 23.2 mm	
Tarsus:	13.1 - 14.7 mm	12.7 - 14.2 mm	12.7 - 14.3 mm	12.9 - 15.2 mm
Weight:	8.0 - 11.0 g	8.8 - 11.0 g	7.0 - 9.0 g	8.0 - 10.0 g

Ageing:

Juveniles distinguished from adults by light-brown face & chin and brown breast;
 Adults have white face and chin – see below for sexual differences.
 Adult plumage is acquired in the first year, so apart from obvious juveniles (J), age others as (1+).

Sexing:

The following sexual differences apply to both subspecies -

Male:

Black chin and breast bars are broader than female;
 Breast (between bars) is white to pale cream with a distinct contrast to darker cream /
 dirty-yellow belly colour;
 Broader black frons at base of upper mandible than female.

Female:

Black chin and breast bars are narrower than male;
 Breast (between bars) and belly colour have virtually no contrast and are basically the same
 greyish-cream or dirty-yellow;
 Narrower black frons than male.

Both sexes brood.