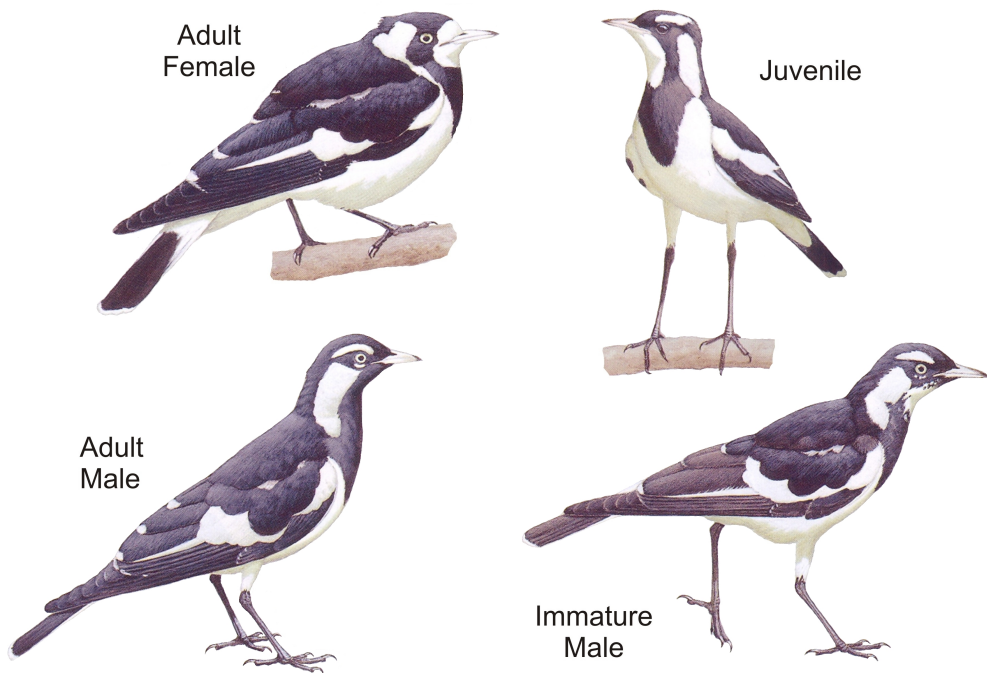


Magpie-lark *Grallina cyanoleuca* **Species No.: 415** **Band size: 06 (05)**



Morphometrics:

Two subspecies – nominate *G.c. cyanoleuca* south of c. 20°S and *G.c. neglecta* north thereof.
Measurements presented here are for *G.c. cyanoleuca*:

	Adult Male	Adult Female
Wing:	168 – 195 mm	162 – 184.5 mm
Tail:	111 – 141 mm	108 – 136 mm
Weight:	69.3 – 118 g	70 – 94.5 g

Ageing:

Both juvenile and first immatures distinguished by plumage and bare parts;
Juvenile plumage is retained only for about three months after fledging;
First immature plumage differs from adult by retaining most or all juvenile remiges, rectrices outer greater secondary coverts, greater primary coverts and feathers of alula which are contrastingly browner and more worn than in adults;
Immatures acquire adult plumage within their first year, coinciding with adult post-breeding moult which commences in Nov.-Dec and is completed by Apr.-May.;
Thus birds in complete adult plumage August to March will be aged (2+);

	Adult (2+)	Juvenile
Bill:	cream with blackish culmen, tip to upper mandible and nasal groove;	grey-black, blackish or dark grey with pale tip;
Gape:	grey-black;	pale yellow;
Iris:	pale straw-yellow;	dark olive brown;
Forehead:	see below;	black (as for adult male);
Throat:	see below;	white (as for adult female);
Eyebrow:	see below;	white (as for adult male);

Sexing :

The easy way to sex adults – girls have clean faces and boys have dirty faces! Otherwise:

	Adult Male	Adult Female
Forehead:	black;	white;
Throat:	black;	white;
Eyebrow:	white	black above & white behind eye;