Orange Chat Ephthianura aurifrons Species No.: 450 Band size: 01



Morphometrics:

	Adult Male	Adult Female
Wing:	60 – 67 mm	59 – 66 mm
Tail:	34 – 42 mm	33 – 41 mm
Weight:	9.8 – 13 g	8.0 – 13.5 g

Ageing:

	Adult Male	Adult Female	Immature	Juvenile
Bill & nasal groove:	black or blackish -grey;	variable from black, to blackish-grey, or dark brown with pale base to lower mandible;	similar to adult female;	dark brownish grey with pinkish or yellowish base
Gape:	grey or black;	grey or black;	yellow;	yellowish or flesh;
Iris:	reddish brown;	similar to male, but also described as yellow;	pale chestnut or orange-brown;	brown or fawn
Supercilium:	none;	straw yellow;	off-white;	light brown or buff;
chin & throat:	black;	pale yellow or pale- straw yellow, paler or off-white on chin;	off-white;	off-white;
Breast, belly & flanks:	orange-yellow;	dull yellow or pale yellow usually with diffuse brown or grey-brown streaks;	paler and less extensively yello than adult female	W
Alula tip shape	e: pointed;	pointed;	rounded;	rounded.

Juveniles are distinguished by plumage and bare parts and have more rounded tip to outer primaries than adults;

First immature males and females are distinguished from adult female by colour of chin, throat and underparts;

Immatures attain full adult plumage before they are one year old. Thus immatures are (1) and adults are aged (1+).

Sexing:

Adults are sexually dimorphic on plumage; Incubation by both sexes.