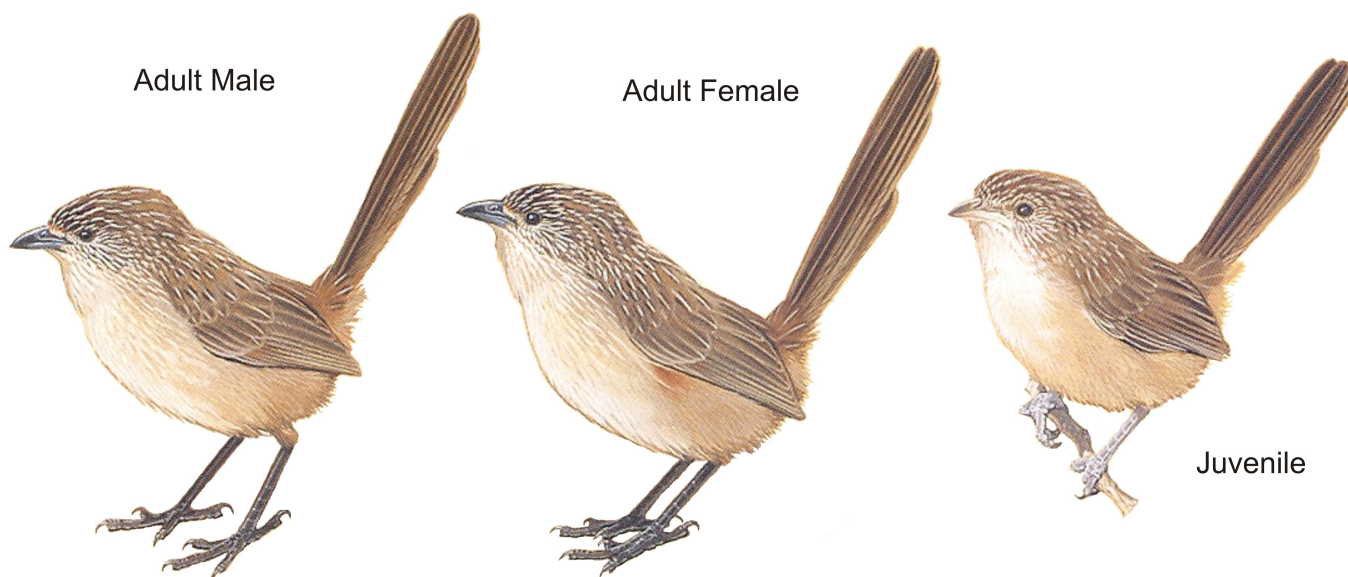


**Thick-billed Grasswren *Amytornis textilis* Species No.: 512 Band size: 04 (03)**



**Morphometrics:**

There are three subspecies: *A.t. textilis* in WA; *A.t. myall* on the Eyre Peninsular and Gawler Ranges of SA; and *A.t. modestus* of the Flinders Ranges, Lake Eyre basin and western NSW. There is no significant size difference between the subspecies, but measurements below are for *A.t. modestus*.

	Adult Male	Adult Female
Wing:	58 – 64 mm	57 – 63 mm
Tail:	67 – 85 mm	68 – 77 mm
Weight:	16.5 – 21.0 g	16.0 – 21.0 g

**Ageing:**

	Adult (2+)	Immature (2-)	Juvenile
Bill:	black to grey-black with blue-grey base to lower mandible;	grey-black;	dark grey with small buff tip
Mouth:	grey	mouth initially orange-yellow changing to greenish-yellow then grey;	orange;

Immatures retain juvenile remiges and rectrices which may show synchronous growth bars; Immatures attain adult plumage when approximately one year old, probably coinciding with adult post-breeding moult. Thus immatures will be either (1) or (2) and adults will be (2+).

**Sexing :**

Adults are sexually dimorphic on plumage: adult females have a distinct rufous-brown patch on the upper or fore-flanks, whereas this is absent in adult males; Both sexes are thought to incubate.