## White-throated Gerygone Gerygone olivacea Species No.: 453 Band size: 01 AY



Variation in pattern of undertail between subspecies





G.o. olivacea (e. Australia)

G.o. rogersi (n. Australia)

## Morphometrics:

Three subspecies with distribution and measurements as follows:

	nominate G	i.o. olivacea	ssp. <i>G.o. ci</i>	nerascens
	(e Aust. from base Cape York s. to Vic)		(northern Cape York & s-e PNG)	
	Adult Male	Adult Female	Adult Male	Adult Female
Wing:	55 – 62 mm	54 – 60 mm	53 – 55 mm	52, 52 mm (2)
Tail:	37 – 44 mm	36 – 43 mm	36 – 39 mm	35, 37 mm (2)
Bill:	10.7 – 13.2 mm	10.1 – 12.9 mm	10.4 – 12.0 mm	10.8, 11.6 mm (2)
Tarsus:	16.5 – 18.8 mm	15.4 – 17.8 mm	15.9 – 16.6 mm	15.2, 15.7 mm (2)
Weight:	5.5 – 8.5 g	6.0 - 8.4 g		

ssp. G.o. rogersi

(n. Aust from Kimberley to head Gulf of Carpentaria)

	Adult Male	Adult Female
Wing:	54 – 60 mm	51 – 56 mm
Tail:	34 – 42 mm	31 – 39 mm
Bill:	10.5 – 13.5 mm	10.8 – 12.9 mm
Tarsus:	15.4 – 18.6 mm	15.1 – 18.0 mm
Weight:	5.0 – 6.8 a	5.0 – 6.9 a

Ageing:

Adult (1+) Juvenile

Bill: black or dark brown; grey black upper mandible and dark

pink-brown lower mandible; with a

darker tip;

Tomia: black or dark brown; dull pinkish;

Gape: black or grey-black; dull pinkish or pale yellowish;

Iris: red, crimson or orange-red; grey-brown, light reddish brown, mid

brown or olive-brown;

Lores: dark brown; greyish-yellow or greyish-olive;

Supra-loral spot: white; yellow;

Chin & throat: yellow or pale-yellow

Juveniles are distinguished by plumage and bare parts;

Immatures resemble adults but may have patchy pale yellow feathering on the chin and throat; Immatures might also be distinguished by the presence of synchronous growth or fault bars in retained juvenile wing and tail feathers;

Immatures attain complete adult plumage when approximately one year old, so age adults (1+).

## Sexing:

There is no sexual dimorphism in plumage or size;

Incubation is mostly done by the female though males incubate sometimes so both sexes will have brood patches.